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OF

Seventy-Eighth Annual Convention

OF

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

OF

NEBRASKA

OF

The United Lutheran Church in America

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Held In

GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

WEST POINT, NEBRASKA

The Reverend George Krebs, Pastor

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April 17, 18, 19, 1950

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TREASURER (1950-1951) Mr. F. E. Wood, 736 East Military Ave., Fremont, Nebraska.

STATISTICIAN (1950-1951) Rev. R. V. Davis, 406 So. 9th St., Nebraska City, Nebraska.

STANDING COMMITTEES

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The President of Synod
The Secretary of Synod
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Rev. Paul Wiegman, Tekamah, Nebraska.
Rev. John Jacobs, Ponca, Nebraska.
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Mr. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln, Nebraska.
Mr. A. T. Yost, North Platte, Nebraska.

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Rev. John Shiery, 419 Pearl St.. Wayne, Nebraska.
Rev. J. C. Miller, Verdon, Nebraska.
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Ministerial Education

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, (1950-1952), Oshkosh, Nebraska.
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Mr. John Wollmer, (1950-1951), Hooper, Nebraska.
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SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Congregations and Parishes

Rev. Henry Dumler, (1950-1952), Davenport, Nebraska.
Rev. Jacob Swingle, (1950-1951), 2602 Farnam Street, Omaha, Neb.
Rev. H. T. Monnich, (1950-1953), 1129 Tenth Ave., Sidney, Neb.

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Mr. Carl Olson, Fremont, Nebraska.
Mr. P. C. Hillegas, Rising City, Nebraska.

Synodical Paper

President of Synod and Conference Presidents.

Reference and Counsel

Rev. James C. Suter, Stamford, Nebraska, Chairman.
Rev. Karl Gigstad, Leigh, Nebraska.
Rev. H. C. Cordts, Wilbur, Nebraska.
Rev. F. L. Cress, Allen Nebraska.

Parish Life and Work

Rev. Paul Wiegman, Tekamah, Nebraska.
Rev. Fred Kern, 433 East Military Ave., Fremont, Nebraska.
Departments:—

Men of the Church, Rev. A. H. Pinkall, 24th and I Sts., Omaha, Nebraska.
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Youth of the Church, Rev. W. F. Most, 5211 Seward St., Omaha 4, Nebraska.
Children of the Church:
Miss Amanda Jorn, Falls City, Nebraska.
Miss Mary E. Marx, Omaha, Nebraska.
Miss Ella Braun.
Church School:
Rev. H. J. Goede, 1317 So. 26th St., Omaha, Nebraska.
Rev. Raymond Bartels, Gurley, Nebraska.
Rev. John H. Shiery, 419 Pearl St., Wayne, Nebraska.
Rev. Kendig Rupley, Hampton, Nebraska.
Mrs. John Lamberty, Scribner, Nebraska.
Leadership Education
Rev. E. Switzer, Dakota City, Nebraska.
Rev. Robert E. Gaston, York, Nebraska.
Mr. H. Bunge, 1710 N St., Auburn, Nebraska.
Prof. Ralph Hankey, Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska.
President of Midland Assembly.

Adjudication

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Elections

Rev. Wilfred Henning, Spencer, Nebraska, Chairman.
Rev. O. K. Oelke, Wolbach, Nebraska.
Rev. Carlos Guzman, 1318½ Pierce St., Omaha, Nebraska.

Ministerial Pensions and Relief

Rev. Karl Gigstad, Leigh, Nebraska.
Rev. E. W. Switzer, Dakota City, Nebraska.
Rev. Paul Kuehner, Walton, Nebraska.

Students in Non-Lutheran Schools

Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D., 2225 Washington St., Lincoln, Nebraska.
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Rev. H. J. Goede, 1317 So. 26th St., Omaha, Nebraska.
Rev. J. H. M. Shiery, 419 Pearl St., Wayne, Nebraska.
Rev. Robert E. Gaston, York, Nebraska.

Promoting Subscriptions to "The Lutheran"

Rev. Kendig Rupley, Hampton, Nebraska.

Reporter to the Lutheran

Rev. Paul Wiegman, Tekamah, Nebraska.

Publications

Rev. Carl J. Olson, 2222 16th St., Columbus, Nebraska.
Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton, Nebraska.

Lutheran World Action

Rev. John Jacobs, Ponca, Nebraska, Director.
Rev. Fred Henkel, 2019 N. Street, Auburn, Nebraska.
Rev. J. B. Rupley, Jr., Box 758 North Platte, Nebraska.
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Mr. John Schaeffer, Hooper, Nebraska.
Mr. Albert Windolph, Grand Island, Nebraska.

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Rev. Fred Henkel, 2019 N. Street, Auburn, Nebraska.
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Committee on History

Rev. Ralph Rangeler, 214 No. 9th St., Beatrice, Nebr., Chairman.
Rev. W. C. Heidenreich, Oshkosh, Nebraska.
Rev. W. A. Klink, D.D., Rising City, Nebraska.

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Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D., 2225 Washington St., Lincoln, Nebraska.
Rev. A. W. Young, D.D., 5823 Miami St., Omaha, Neb., (Family Child Care Department).

Rev. W. F. Most, 5211 Seward St., Omaha, Neb., (Case Committee).
Rev. Robert E. Gaston, York, Nebraska, (Institutional Chaplains).
Mr. Dell Tyrrell, Lincoln, Neb., (Hospitals).
Mr. O. L. Prestogaard, Lincoln, Neb., (Care of Aged).

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CROP Representative

Rev. Kendig Rupley, Hampton, Nebraska.

Nebraska Town and Country Church Commission

Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton, Nebraska.

CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS

North Platte—Rev. George Krebs, 101 Bridge Streets, West Point, Nebraska.
South Platte—Rev. Fred Henkel, 2019 N. Street, Auburn, Nebraska.
Western—Rev. J. B. Rupley, Box 758, North Platte, Nebraska.

CALENDAR FOR 1951

Place of Synod Meeting: Grace Lutheran Church, Twenty-Second and Washington Sts., Lincoln, Nebraska.

Time: April 2, 3, 4, 1951.

Synodical Sermon: President of Synod.

Ordination Sermon: Rev. H. T. Monnich, Alternate, Rev. H. G. Goede.

Chaplain: Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Alternate, Rev. Ralph Rangeler.

Chorister: Rev. W. F. Most.

Organist: Rev. H. G. Goede.

Roll Of Synod

Ministers	Ordained	Entered Synod	Parish and Congregation	Lay Delegate
Baltzly, O. D. Ph. D. D. D., LL. D.* 2602 Farnam St. Omaha, Nebraska	1896	1911	Omaha, Kountze Memorial Pastor Emeritus	Paul Palmquist 4302 Decatur Str. Omaha
Bartels, Raymond Dalton, Nebraska	1946	1945	Gurley Grace Dalton, Trinity	**Ernest Nelson** Gurley **Glenn Harris,** Dalton
Clark, Harvey 7103 Minne Lusa Avenue Omaha, Nebraska	1935	1947	Omaha, Nebraska Redeemer	**L. W. Johnson** 5808 No. 28th Ave. Omaha, Nebraska
Cordts, H. C. Wilbur, Nebraska	1926	1925	Wilbur First	**Narry Orr** Wilbur
Cress, F. L. Allen, Nebraska	1928	1936	Allen First	**Edwin Farhenholz** Allen
Davis, R. V. 406 So. 9th Street Nebraska City, Nebr	1930	1929	Nebraska, City First	**Herman Meents** Nebraska City
Daubenspeck, W. N.* Post Chapel Camp Hood, Texas	1929	1929	U.S. Army Chaplain	
Dumler, H. Davenport	1926	1925	Davenport Christ	**C. R. Miller** Davenport
Frederick, P.W.H., D.D. 1653 North Colson Fremont, Nebr.	1900	1931	Western Seminary Professor	
Gaston, Robert E. Eighth and Grant St. York, Nebr.		1949	York, First McCool Junction, 1st	**Harold L. Wochner** York, **Wilbur Norquest** McCool Junction
Goede, H. J. 1507 South 26 St. Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1938	Omaha, Grace	
Gigstad, K. Leigh, Nebraska	1941	1940	Leigh St. John's	**Otto F. Muhle** Leigh, Nebraska
Guzman, Carlos 1318½ Pierce St. Omaha, Nebraska	1948	1948	Omaha, Nebraska Mexican, Mission	**Arno Lehmann** Omaha

*-Absent and Excused

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Harman, C. B., D. D.* 225 East Ashton Grand Island	1900	1909	Retired	
Hartwig, G. H.* 2645 Everett Street Lincoln, Nebr.	1901	1941	Retired	
Heindenreich, W. C. Oshkosh, Nebraska	1906	1928	Oshkosh, Lewellen, Nebraska	**Albert Quelle** **Kenneth Rogers**
Henkel, F. W. Auburn, Nebraska	1906	1938	Auburn, St. Paul's	**Walter Kuenning** Auburn,
Hershey, J. C., D. D. 304 West 20th St. Falls City, Nebr.	1917	1917	Falls City, St. Paul's	**Louis Thomas** 2101 Harlan St. Falls City
Hieronymus, W. P., Fremont, Nebraska	1921	1946	Midland College President	
Holz, Wm. A.* South America	1931	1931	Missionary	
Jacobs, John Ponca, Nebraska	1946	1946	Ponca Salem	**George Greschke** Ponca
Jacobs, Vernon 520 West 12th St. Alliance, Nebraska	1950	1950	Alliance Missionary	
Jensen, Samuel W. Hooper, Nebraska	1941	1950	Hooper Grace	**Fred Ott** Hooper
Kahse, W. T., D. D.* Box 103	1905	1912	Retired	
Kern, F. W. Sidney, Nebraska 325 East 10th Fremont, Nebraska.	1927	1946	Fremont Salem	**Carl Olson** 1415 No. Main St. Fremont,
Klink, W. A., D.D. Rising City, Nebr.	1917	1917	Rising City	**Lloyd Want** David City
Krebs, George P. West Point, Nebr.	1921	1939	West Point Grace	**Edward Benne** West Point
Kuehner, Paul Walton, Nebr.	1923	1949	Walton, Trinity Eagle, Grace	
Lesher, L. H., D. D. 2225 Washington St. Lincoln, Nebraska	1921	1938	Lincoln Grace	**D. L. Tyrrell** 1133 No. Cotner Lincoln
Messer. J. E. M.S.T. 221 East 21 St., South Sioux City, Nebraska	1915	1928	So. Sioux City First	**Wm. Bernard** So. Sioux City

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Miller, J. C. Verdon, Nebraska	1933	1945	Verdon, St. Mark's Stella Trinity	**Wm. F. Kentopp** Falls City
Monnich, H. T. 10th Ave. & Linden Sidney, Nebraska	1944	1948	Sidney, Trinity	**Marius Christensen** Sidney
Mortensen, E. C. Paxton, Nebraska	1920	1920	Paxton, Grace Sutherland, Trinity	**Lawrence Hahn** Paxton
Mortensen, G. E. P. O. Box 351 Reedsport, Oregon	1920	1920	Reedsport, Oregon Community Church	
Most, W. F. 5211 Seward St. Omaha, Nebraska	1931	1943	Omaha Lutheran Memorial	**E. B. Tory** 3854 Cass Omaha,
Mumm, Harry J.* Tyler Hall, Apt. 9. 99 Sherman St. Hartford, Conn.	1944	1943	Hartford, Conn. Post Graduate work	
Oelke, O. K. Wolbach, Nebraska	1934	1949	Wolbach Parish Trinity	**Paul Rother** Wolbach,
Olson, Carl J. 2222 16th St. Columbus, Nebr.	1911	1944	Columbus United	**Harms Kruse** Columbus
Pfeiffer, R. R. Scribner, Nebraska	1929	1943	Scribner United	**Edgar Havekost** Scribner
Pinkall, A. H. 3931 South 23rd St. Omaha, Nebraska	1930	1930	Omaha, St. Luke's	**Joy Wilsey** 3931 So. 23rd St. Omaha
Rangeler, Ralph L. Beatrice, Nebraska	1919	1949	Beatrice Trinity	
Rohlfing, Ed F. Homer, Nebr.	1935	1950	Homer, St. Paul Hubbard, Trinity	
Rupley, J. B. Jr. 311 West 5th St. North Platte, Nebr.	1942	1941	North Platte First	
Rupley, J. B., D. D. 1321 West 2nd. St. Grand Island, Nebr.	1916	1941	Grand sland, Nebr. St. Paul's	**Hugo Schlacht** Grand Island
Rupley, Kendig Hampton, Nebr.	1947	1946	Hampton, Nebr. Emmanuel	**Wm. Hahle** Hampton,
Shiery J. H. M. 419 Pearl St. Wayne, Nebr.	1945	1944	Wayne, Nebr. St. Paul's	**Albert Bastian** Wayne

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Simon, M. B. Broadwater, Nebr.	1937	1948	Broadwater, Nebr. Messiah	**Bill Matson** Broadwater
Schuldt, T.J.C. 549 West 9th St. Fremont, Nebraska	1936	1936	President of Synod	
Suter, James C. Stamford, Nebr.	1937	1949	Stamford Trinity	**John Sporing** Stamford
Swingle, Jacob 2602 Farnam St. Omaha, Nebraska	1939	1949	Omaha Ass't Pastor, Kountze Memorial	
Switzer, E. W. Dakota City, Nebr.	1944	1943	Dakota City, Salem	**Ted Larsen** Dakota City
Traub, W. H., D. D., LL.D. 2602 Farnam St. Omaha, Nebraska	1913	1931	Omaha, Nebraska Kountze Memorial	**Paul Palmquist** 4302 Decatur Omaha
Wiegman, Paul Tekamah, Nebr.	1940	1940	Tekamah Vacoma	**T. K. Lipps** **Fred F. Peterson** Herman
Wise, W. G. Box 280 Lincoln, Nebraska	1933	1946	Resettlement Director, Nebr. Area	
Wood, L. G.* Guntur, India	1929	1929	India Missionary	
Young, A.W., D. D. 5823 Miami St. Omaha, Nebraska	1926	1944	Omaha First English Luth.	**Fred Glammeier** 5801 Ohio St. Omaha

PARISHES NOT LISTED ABOVE

Ministers	Ordained	Entered Synod	Parish and Congregation	Lay Delegate
Hansen, Waldo (Supply) Benedict			Benedict Zion	**Evan Miller** Benedict
Steffins, George (Supply) 2411 Franklin St. Bellevue, Nebr.			Bellevue Immanuel	
Gleim, Rev. H. (M. E. Supply) Hardy, Nebaska			Hardy St. Paul's	
Gies, Rev. W. (A. L. C. Supply) Potter, Nebr.			Potter First	
Vacant Supplied from Central Seminary			Emerson St. Luke's	

MINUTES

OF

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

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APRIL 17, 18, 19, 1950

Monday Afternoon **3:00 P. M.** **April 17, 1950**

The Seventy-eighth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in Grace Lutheran Church, West Point, Nebraska, the Reverend George P. Krebs, pastor, on Monday, April 17th, 1950 at 3:00 p.m.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were conducted by the President and Secretary of Synod, and the Chaplain, Dr. J. B. Rupley. The Reverend T. J. C. Schuldt, president of Synod preached the Communion sermon, using as his text, John 3:16.

Chaplain, Dr. J. B. Rupley conducted a memorial service in memory of Mrs. R. A. White.

The formal opening of Synod was conducted by President T. J. C. Schuldt.

The following were introduced to Synod and by motion, seconded and carried were made advisory members of Synod.

Pastors: Robert E. Gaston, of York, Neb., James C. Suter, Stamford, Neb., Wilfred Henning, Spencer, Neb., Paul Kuehner, Walton-Eagle, Neb. Parish, O. K. Oelke, Wolbach, Neb., Ed Rohlfing, F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary of the U.L.C.A., T. D. Rinde, professor at Central Lutheran Seminary, E. B. Keisler, president of Central Lutheran Seminary, L. H. Steinhoff, president of the Pacific Synod and Regional Director of CHEY, Vernon Jacobs, Alliance, Nebraska, W. P. Hieronymus, president of Midland College and Mr. Jerry Bentz, Field Secretary for Midland College.

Meeting of the Ministerium **4:30 P. M.** **April 17, 1950**

The Ministerium convened at 4:30 p.m.

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich chairman of the Examining Committee presented a report for the Committee.

Moved, seconded and carried that the recommendations to approve for admission to Synod: Pastors Robert E. Gaston, James C. Suter, Wilfred Henning, O. K. Oelke and Paul Kuehner be adopted.

Moved, seconded and carried that recommendation for ordination of Mr. Vernon Jacobs, called to Mission Field at Alliance, Neb., be approved and recommended to Synod for adoption.

The Ministerium adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Monday Evening **8:00 P. M.** **April 17,1950**

The informal service was in charge of Pastor George P. Krebs. Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz, secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America, presented the first section of his report on behalf of the Executive Committee, U.L.C.A.

Tuesday Morning **April 18, 1950**

Devotions were conducted by the Chaplain of Synod.

The Business Session opened at 9:15 a.m. with Pastors and lay delegates present.

The Committee on Reference and Council presented the following recommendations:

1. That recommendation of Ministerium to Synod be the first item of business.

2. That we proceed at once with the election of delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention.

The recommendations were adopted.

RECOMMENDATION OF MINISTERIUM: That Synod formally received the following who have accepted calls in the Nebraska Synod: Robert E. Gaston, York; Wilfred Henning, Spencer; O. K. Oelke, Wolbach; Paul C. Kuehner, Walton-Eagle; and that Synod approve for ordination: Mr. Vernon Jacobs, called to the new mission field at Alliance. RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED.

The above named were formally received by President Schuldt.

The ballots for clerical delegates to U.L.C.A. were distributed. Motion prevailed that if there be no election on the first ballot, that balloting on succeeding ballots be confined to twice the number required from among those receiving the highest number of votes.

Motion made, seconded that arrangements be made whereby all pastors of the Nebraska Synod may attend the U.L.C.A. Convention to be held in Des Moines, October 4-11th, 1950, and that the Resolutions Committee suggest arrangements whereby Synod may help to defray expense. MOTION CARRIED.

Nominations for Lay Delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention were presented and ballots were distributed. By motion adopted balloting was to be limited on succeeding ballots to twice the number required from among those receiving the highest number of votes.

The President of Synod presented his report and referred it to the Committee on the President's Report.

President's Report

Brethren in Christ:

By the Grace of Almighty God we have come to the close of another Synodical year. When we as pastors and congregations review our activity in light of the opportunity before us surely we are filled with a spirit of humility and a firm resolve to use the resources at our command to better advantage, - to be better stewards of the manifold grace of God. It is well, nevertheless, that with thankful hearts we rejoice in the privilege of being God's instruments and in observing the fruit of the working of the Spirit through the Word and Sacraments.

It was upon the occasion of the always enjoyable pastoral visits when, after discussing some of the perplexing problems and subjects which people discuss in these days, a pastor asked the question, "What is the situation among our churches?" It was a joy to report the observation that there is generally apparent an increasing interest in the church. The pastors have reported good church attendance. The congregations are growing in membership. There is a desire among our people for capable pastoral leadership and faithful pastoral care and a willingness to support more adequately the work of the pastor. There is evidenced a growing sense of stewardship. The increasing interest and helpfulness of our laymen is most heartening. While we are humbled by our inadequacy in light of the opportunity before us we must nevertheless be thankful for the manner in which God prospers our effort. It behooves us to look hopefully to the future as we continue our work with the assurance of our Lord, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

As we go forward it is important that we maintain the right perspective of our course and purpose. Uppermost is the eternal truth, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved." We serve, using the Means which are provided, to the intent that God's Grace in Jesus Christ might possess and become the possession of more and more people; in order that this faith may become ever stronger, and to guide its expression in life and service according to the direction of His Word. Participation in the work of the Church and the support of its work at home and abroad are the glorious opportunities for the individual to give expression to his faith and for the members collectively to function as a great Church. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

DEATHS

Mrs. R. A. White, July 21, 1949.

ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE

Grace, West Point, Seventy-Fifth, observed Oct. 16 and 17, 1949.

DEDICATION

Grace, Lincoln, new church dedicated Sept. 11, 1949.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Christ, Davenport, dedication of pipe organ and chimes, Feb. 27, 1949.

Zion, Benedict, dedication of electric organ, March 13, 1949.

Grace, Hooper, re-dedication of church after remodeling, Oct. 30, 1949.

St. Luke, Emerson, re-laying of cornerstone during remodeling of church, Nov. 27, 1949.

Grace, Omaha, re-dedication of church after remodeling, Dec. 11, 1949.

Grace, West Point, dedication of newly built parsonage, Jan. 29, 1950.

INSTALLATIONS

Rev. W. A. Klink, D. D., First, Rising City, May 1, 1949.

Rev. R. E. Rangeler, Trinity, Beatrice, May 22, 1949.

Rev. Robert E. Gaston, First, York, and First, McCool Junction, Aug. 14, 1949.

Rev. James Suter, Trinity, Stamford, June 19, 1949.

Rev O. K. Oelke, Trinity, Wolbach, Sept. 18, 1949.

Rev. Paul Kuehner, Grace, Walton, and Trinity, Eagle, Nov. 13, 1949.

Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, United, Scribner, and Emmanuel, Snyder, Dec. 4, 1949.

All were installed by the President of Synod.

RESIGNATIONS

Rev. W. A. Klink, D. D., First, York, and First, McCool Junction, effective May 1, 1949. Called to First, Rising City.

Rev. Arthur Kramer, Immanuel, Bellevue, effective Oct. 1, 1949. Post-graduate study.

Rev. P. O. Anderson, United, Spencer, effective Oct. 1, 1949. Called to St. John, Schuyler, Nebraska, of the Midwest Synod.

Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, St. Luke, Emerson, effective Dec. 1, 1949.

Rev. Paul de Freese, Grace, Hooper, effective Feb. 1, 1950. Called to First St. Paul, Hastings, Nebraska, of the Midwest Synod.

TRANSFERS

Rev. P. O. Anderson to Midwest Synod.

Rev. Paul de Freese to Midwest Synod.

Rev. Martin Dolbeer Jr. to New York Synod.

ACCESSIONS

Rev. Robert E. Gaston, First, York, and First, McCool Junction, from Kansas Synod.
Rev. O. K. Oelke, Trinity, Wolbach, from Midwest Synod.
Rev. Paul Kuehner, Grace, Walton, and Trinity, Eagle, from Midwest Synod.
Rev. Wilfred Henning, United, Spencer, from Kansas Synod.

RESIDENT STUDENT SUPPLY

Zion, Benedict, Mr. Waldo Hansen.
Immanuel, Bellevue, Mr. George Steffens.

VACANCIES

St. Paul, Homer - supplied from Central Seminary
Trinity, Hubbard - supplied from Central Seminary
St. Luke, Emerson, - supplied from Central Seminary
Grace, Hooper, - supplied from Centrala Seminary.

Respectfully submitted

THEODORE J. C. SCHULDT

The Treasurer's report was presented by Mr. F. E. Wood.

MOTION MADE, seconded and carried that Auditor's Report be accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

The Apportionment	$ 80322.81
Tabitha Home Special Gifts	1715.51
Midland College Special Gifts	2142.51
Central Theological Seminary Special Gifts	41.30
Lutheran World Action	24951.16
Foreign Mission	2388.95
Sale of St. Marks Church	19750.00
Salt of the Earth	3.83
President's Services	100.00
Sale of Ericson Property	434.13
Synod Offering Davenport	36.88
S. E. Sunday School Assn.	10.00
Sale of Altar, etc., St. Marks	50.00
Women's Missionary Society	450.00
CHEY	638.00
Miscellaneous	630.37
	$133665.45

DISBURSEMENTS

U.L.C.A. Apportionment	$ 36236.00
Lutheran World Action	24951.16
Midland College Apportionment	17197.00
Midland College Specials	2142.51
Foreign Missions	2463.95

Board of American Missions	.50
Board of Pensions and Relief	103.00
Mexican Mission	150.00
Children of Church	132.30
Am. Bible Society	12.00
C.R.O.P.	30.00
Lutheran Home Society	50.00
Faith in Youth	72.57
Am. S. S. Union	5.00
Tabitha Home Apportionment	8713.85
Tabitha Home Specials	1715.51
Mission Committee	3500.00
Specials Mexican Mission	450.00
Ministerial Edn.	500.00
Apportionment Central Theological Seminary	2320.50
Specials	41.30
CHEY	638.00
	$101425.15
Synod items as follows:	32240.30

SYNOD DISBURSEMENTS

R. R. Pfeiffer P. L. and W. Committee	12.00
J. H. M. Shiery P. L. and W. Committee	14.40
Kendig Rupley P. L. and W. Committee	18.31
Paul Wiegman P. L. and W. Committee	4.00
F. W. Kern P. L. and W. Committee	1.15
Paul Wiegman, N. P. Conference	18.35
T. J. C. Schuldt Salary and Expense	5877.81
John Jacobs L. W. A.	39.34
J. M. Shiery L. W. A.	9.00
F. W. Henkel L. W. A.	13.68
A. W. Young Recorder	69.95
A. W. Young Welfare and P	14.40
W. A. Klink	10.67
Fischer and Fischer Litigation St. Marks	263.50
Grace Lutheran Omaha St. Mark's	7142.58
Mission Committee St. Mark's	9523.44
Luther Memorial Omaha St. Mark's	2380.87
Bekins Van and Storage St. Mark's	125.00
Benson Transfer St. Mark's	8.25
Hanson Transfer St. Mark's	20.45
Board of Pensions and Relief	53.32
Pathfinder Hotel Ex. Comm.	6.70
W. A. Klink Ex. Comm.	34.14
A. W. Young Ex. Comm.	56.44
J. C. Hershey Ex. Comm.	18.80
Peterson Cafe Meals Ex. Comm.	7.20
Andy Yost Ex. Comm.	63.91
Edgar Havekost Ex. Comm.	8.40
Paul Wiegman Lutheran	2.60
R. V. Davis Sec. Exp.	10.50
F. W. Henkel Child Welfare	10.40
F. W. Henkel Soc. Missions	12.00

E. C. Mortensen L.W.A.	10.00
T. J. C. Schuldt President's Conf.	159.67
A. W. Young L. W. A.	17.40
U. L. Publications House	10.17
Chappel Printing Co. Stny.	23.59
W. A. Klink Inst. Chaplaincy	11.40
Nebr. Savings & Loan Co. Box	4.20
F. E. Wood Heuer Funeral	4.80
Postmaster Stamps	20.00
Petrow's Cafe Ex. Comm.	5.80
Green's Greenhouses Rev. Olson	5.95
Rev. E. C. Hansen L. S. F. Lincoln	100.00
F. W. Henkel Camp Com.	14.00
H. Dumler Synod Exp.	11.90
Bank Exchange	.20
John Jacobs Exp. Synod	.80
E. C. Mortensen Exp. Synod	1.50
A. W. Young Sec. and Synod Exp.	22.75
F. E. Wood Synod Exp.	7.35
T. J. C. Schuldt Action of Synod	1200.00
J. H. M. Shiery Pres. Conf.	9.50
F. W. Henkel	13.50
Wallstrom Flower Shop W. A. Heuer	5.00
U.L.C.A. Mtg. Presidents Buck Hills	16.56
Enterprise Pub. Co. Nebr. Synod Lutheran	715.86
Hansen Audit Co. Audit	35.00
Chappel Printing Co.	1.50
J. B. Rupley Jr. Conf. Pres.	62.80
Pathfinder Hotel Ex. Comm.	13.45
J.H.M. Shiery Ex. Comm.	9.64
W. H. Traub Ex. Comm.	4.80
Paul Wiegman P. and C. to Chicago	100.00
W. F. Most Reg. L. L. Convention	21.50
A. W. Young bal. Sal. 1948	50.00
Donna Hamilton Typing Min. Conf.	13.50
J.H.M. Shiery Conf. Pres. Mtg.	9.40
A. W. Young	13.60
Lutheran Children's Home Assn.	1200.00
Virgil Davis Sec. Sal.	100.00
F. W. Henkel D. P.	12.75
A. W. Young Child Welfare	7.20
Green's Greenhouse Dr. Rangeler Rev. Mortensen	6.18
Central Theol. Sem. Memorial r. Rangeler	10.00
J.H.M. Shiery World Order	25.00
Rev. E. C. Hansen L.S.F.	300.00
Paul Wiegman Roanoke	135.00
Enterprise Pub. Co. Pre-Convention	70.80
Dry. Studio Synod Picture	20.00
Pathfinder Hotel Stewardship	4.35
F. E. Wood Salary	150.00
Ray Pfeiffer Stewardship Comm.	8.40
Lutheran Lib. Bd. Catechism	17.75
Green's Greenhouses F. W. Kern	4.00
Owen Off. Supply Envelopes	7.80

Central Nat. Bank L. L. Camp	100.00
Donna Hamilton Typing By Laws Const.	15.00
John A. Jacobs Camp Site	8.40
H. Dumler Exam. Comm.	18.48
A. H. Pinkall Exam. Comm.	4.80
J. E. Messer Exam Comm.	9.00
W. C. Heidenreich, Exam. Comm.	15.00
Enterprise Pub. Co. Min. Synod	279.09
J. H. Shiery P. and C. Sch.	9.00
Paul de Freese P. and C. Sch.	1.60
A. H. Pinkall P. and C. Sch.	4.80
R. R. Pfeiffer P. and C. Sch.	8.40
W. F. Most	4.80
Kendig Rupley P. and C. Sch.	11.00
J. E. Messer P. and C. Sch.	9.00
Paul Wiegman P. and C. Sch.	4.80
T. J. C. Schuldt P. and C. Sch. Dinner	15.50
J.H.M. Shiery CHEY	15.00
Pathfinder Meats Stewardship	5.60
P. C. Hillegas	6.60
D. L. Tyrell	6.00
R. R. Pfeiffer	7.20
Mrs. J. E. Jensen CHEY	10.00
D. L. Tyrell CHEY	6.00
H. G. Wellensieck	15.00
W. F. Most Western Conf.	14.19
R. R. Pfeiffer W. and S. Conf.	8.63
John A. Jacobs W. Conf. & L.W.A.	20.00
J. C. Suter Stewardship	2.47
J. B. Rupley Ex. Comm.	31.35
R. R. Pfeiffer Retreat	8.04
W. F. Kedde Retreat	8.16
John Wollmer Retreat	15.60
R. B. Hammond Retreat	5.88
A. H. Pinkall Retreat	9.60
Harry Burge Retreat	12.00
Roy Bartels Retreat	9.00
Harold L. Wochner Retreat	12.00
W. A. Klink Retreat	7.15
P. C. Hillegas Retreat	7.15
Pathfinder Meals & Rooms	112.85
A. W. Young CHEY	24.60
Sec. of State Articles of Inc.	2.00
Owen Ptg. Co. Stationery	18.15
T. J. C. Schuldt Ex. Comm.	100.00
F. W. Henkel CHEY	28.56
J.H.M. Shiery Stewardship	5.16
J.H.M. Shiery CHEY	17.24
W. P. Hieronymus Edn. Rallies	38.64
A. W. Young Travel	22.30
Morgan Ins. Co. Treas. Bond	10.00
Owen Off. Supply Co.	5.80
Mission Comm. Ericson Property	434.13
Robert Gaston CHEY	1.79
	$ 32240.30

Treasurer's Annual Exhibit

	Apport. Amt.	Paid	Per Cent	Special	W. A.	Tabitha	Totals
Allen	708.00	214.00	30.	------	25.00	-----	239.00
Auburn	2331.00	2431.00	104.	276.95	1029.00	313.81	4050.76
Beatrice	690.00	725.00	105.	------	237.25	-----	962.25
Benedict	665.00	640.65	96.	50.00	60.17	8.54	759.36
Bellevue	277.00	-------	----	------	------	-----	-------
Broadwater	505.00	-------	----	------	109.00	-----	109.00
Columbus	659.00	659.00	100.	------	183.00	-----	842.00
Dakota City Em.	55.00	30.00	55.	------	------	-----	30.00
Dak. City Salem	838.00	922.83	110.	63.00	435.00	-----	1420.83
Dalton	653.00	662.00	100.	------	241.00	-----	903.00
Davenport	1355.00	1355.00	100.	36.88	82.29	-----	1474.17
Eagle	265.00	120.00	45.	------	------	-----	120.00
Emerson	1737.00	1400.00	80.6	------	489.34	3.00	1892.34
Falls City	2883.00	2982.00	103.	------	1104.00	10.00	4096.00
Fremont	4731.00	4731.00	100.	204.14	1604.95	-----	6540.09
Grand Island	8039.00	5162.72	64.	27.00	1489.57	-----	6679.29
Gurley	702.00	787.00	112.	------	162.88	5.55	955.43
Hampton	290.00	290.00	100.	------	142.00	-----	432.00
Hardy	388.00	395.80	102.	9.50	165.00	-----	570.30
Homer	733.00	277.64	37.9	40.00	26.98	-----	344.62
Hooper	1811.00	2421.00	133.	100.00	491.00	43.50	3055.50
Hubbard	290.00	55.00	19.	------	------	-----	55.00
Leigh	1060.00	776.00	72.	35.00	372.30	154.25	1337.55
Lewellen	363.00	363.00	100.	------	166.00	15.62	544.62
Lincoln	3788.00	4538.00	120.	395.00	1386.00	46.00	6365.00
McCool Jct.	813.00	544.64	67.	------	65.01	36.92	646.57
Nebraska City	1060.00	588.40	55.5	------	105.00	-----	693.40
North Platte	3825.00	4148.00	108.4	143.66	1739.10	-----	6030.76
Omaha First	1503.00	1503.00	100.	------	625.00	130.10	2258.10
Omaha grace	1337.00	1413.00	105.	500.00	350.00	-----	2263.00
Omaha K. M.	14384.00	14384.00	100.	2820.21	2824.08	310.00	20338.29
Omaha L. M.	1478.00	1478.00	100.	------	594.33	-----	2072.33
Omaha Redeemer	2920.00	3456.69	118.	50.00	1309.10	.50	4816.29
Om' St. Lukes	3881.00	4017.00	103.5	116.25	1400.00	61.00	5594.25
Oshkosh	333.00	335.95	101.	------	213.75	-----	549.70
Paxton	1189.00	1189.00	100.	61.65	583.86	121.41	1955.42
Ponca	1102.00	1102.00	100.	38.91	601.25	-----	1742.16
Potter	394.00	394.00	100.	131.51	121.00	-----	646.51
Rising City	819.00	819.00	100.	------	320.00	66.00	1205.00
Scribner	949.00	949.00	100.	50.00	405.00	-----	1404.00
Sidney	1645.00	1102.00	67.	------	491.00	-----	1593.00
Snyder	290.00	295.00	101.	------	125.00	-----	420.00
So. Sioux City	2094.00	2100.00	100.	56.98	950.00	-----	3106.98
Spencer	400.00	334.00	83.5	------	115.00	-----	449.00
Stamford	745.00	745.00	100.	------	202.58	8.35	955.93
Stella	136.00	136.00	100.	------	16.00	-----	152.00
Sutherland	99.00	119.00	120.	------	51.00	28.00	198.00

Tekamah	930.00	930.00	100.	30.00	270.00	30.00	1260.00
Vacoma	296.00	302.00	102.	------	103.00	22.96	427.96
Verdon	665.00	670.00	101.	------	276.00	-----	946.00
Walton	351.00	209.00	59.	------	187.00	-----	396.00
Wayne	2101.00	2101.00	100.	------	228.72	-----	2329.72
West Point	1965.00	1965.00	100.	337.57	482.00	277.00	3061.57
Wilber	400.00	270.00	67.0	------	86.00	-----	356.00
Wolbach	739.00	205.00	27.7	50.00	65.00	10.00	330.00
York	801.00	515.00	64.	3.83	22.85	-----	541.68
Mexican Mission							
Omaha	----------	64.49	100.	29.30	21.80	13.00	128.59
	85621.00	80322.81	93.8	5656.84	24951.16	1715.51	112646.32

38 Churches paid 100% or over
17 Churches failed

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

	Apport. Paid	Apport. %	Total
1930	38602.52	73.	51835.68
1931	26801.26	41.4	60395.56
1932	26753.20	47.	40740.41
1933	23017.22	44.2	30062.40
1934	21706.42	57.7	28990.97
1935	19991.03	48.5	23854.44
1936	20355.81	47.3	25187.10
1937	19103.52	41.9	24148.82
1938	19942.36	32.2	24892.82
1939	20208.42	33.35	21664.96
1940	21368.37	36.5	25943.52
1941	21644.64	37.2	24471.20
1942	25792.09	44.4	29565.87
1943	32722.20	56.	41670.77
1944	36441.89	64.2	49431.52
1945	43009.77	77.5	77685.25
1946	50340.21	77.6	103653.04
1947	57680.18	80.5	115915.77
1948	85136.90	111.	120528.70
1949	80322.81	93.8	133665.46

The Stewardship Committee Report was presented by Pastor R. R. Pfeiffer, Chairman of the Committee.

REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Stewardship Committee met October 12, 1949 at Central Lutheran Seminary. Dr. W. A. Klink resigned as chairman. President T. J. C. Schuldt appointed Pastor R. R. Pfeiffer in his place.

"Like a Mighty Army," stewardship film, was relayed to the churches by nine area men in cooperation with the Midwest Synod. The film was shown in 58 places as reported by our four area men.

In carrying out the 1949 recommendation adopted by Synod, the committee planned and held a Lutheran Laymen's Retreat at the Pathfinder Hotel in Fremont, Nebraska on November 5th and 6th. Twenty-five laymen were invited from the eastern section of the Synod. Twenty of them were present. Phases of the Church's Stewardship program were presented by pastors. Laymen participated in devotions and discussion.

The purpose of this retreat was to inform and inspire our laymen to present the causes of the Kingdom in their own congregations. These laymen were encouraged to be available at the call of other congregations to witness the whole work of the Church.

We commend all of our congregations in their loyal support of the causes of our Lord and to continue to work while it is day.

Our Synodical Treasurer's Annual Exhibit for 1949 was mimeographed and mailed to all pastors and a number of laymen.

Recommendation: That the Synod authorize the committee to plan and hold a similar retreat in another area of our state in the year 1950.

Respectfully submitted,
R. R. Pfeiffer, Chairman.

The recommendation offered by the committee was amended to read as follows: That Synod authorize the Stewardship Committee to plan and hold retreats in the Eastern and Western sections of the Synod.

RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Pastor R .V. Davis presented the Statistician's Report.

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

Parochial reports have been received from 55 congregations of Synod. One congregation (First Lutheran, Potter) did not send in a report for 1949, so it was necessary to make one from the previous year's report.

A duplicate copy of the parochial report for each congregation, with the necessary corrections made by our statistician, and summary of all reports have been sent to the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Clerical Roll of Synod (Dec. 31, 1949) lists 56 names classified as follows: 39 active pastors serving synodical congregations; 2 pastors serving congregations not on the roll of synod; 2 chaplains; 4 professors, teachers and general workers; 3 foreign missionaries; 4 retired or emeritus; and 2 post-graduate work.

MEMBERSHIP - GAINS - LOSSES

Number of Members: Baptized 33,511, gain 632; Confirmed 22,894, gain 295; Communing 15,055, gain 382.

Number of Sunday Schools 58, loss 1; Staff members 1,014, gain 41; in Sunday School 7,526, gain 230; in Home Dept. 237, gain 8; on Nursery Roll 1,694, gain 134; Week Day Schools 20, loss 5; teachers 216, loss 29; pupils 1,542, loss 103; Children of the Church leaders 27, gain 11; pupils 447, gain 274; Number of catechumens 1,192, loss, 17; in Lutheran Seminaries 12, gain 5; in Lutheran Motherhouses 3, same as last year; in other Lutheran Institutions 93, loss 10, in non-Lutheran institutions 453, gain 12.

Group organizations: Men's 24, gain 2, members 574, gain 31; Women's 117, gain 5, members 4,170, gain 266; Mixed 21, gain 2, members 680, gain 150; Young People 68, gain 3, members 1,350,

VALUATION CHURCH PROPERTY - GAINS - LOSSES

Church Buildings $1,824,790, gain $282,300; Parsonages $307.750, gain $62,700; Endowment $21,800, gain $4,600; Other Property $208,300, loss $90,365; Indebtedness $91,302, gain $61,763; Total Valuation $2,362,640, gain $259,235.

EXPENSES - GAINS - LOSSES

Congregational, Current $304,183, gain $35,855; Unusual $298,777, gain $101,229; Total Congregational Expenses $602,960, gain $137,084.

CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE - GAINS - LOSSES

Unapportioned Benevolence: Education $2,241, loss $2,542; Foreign Missions $8,261, gain $718; American Missions $5,391, gain $2,775; Social Missions $9,296, loss $439; Other Benevolence $39,509, gain $2,973.

TOTALS

Total Unapportioned Benevolence $64,698, gain $3,485; Total Apportioned Benevolence paid $8,322.81, loss $4,814.09; Total Benevolence $145,020.81, loss $1,329.09; Total Expenditures $747,980.81, gain $135,754.91 over last year.

Respectfully submitted,
R. V. Davis, Statistician.

The following were presented to Synod and by motion made advisory members of Synod:

Mr. O. L. Sturtevant, President of Synodical Brotherhood.
Mr. Waldo Hansen, Student Supply at Benedict.
Mr. George Steffins, Student Supply at Bellevue.
Mr. C. A. Bongarzone, Circulation Manager of "The Lutheran."
Rev. Alvin Petersen, Student Pastor at Nebraska University.
Rev. Loren Wolff, President of the Midwest Synod.

The following Amendment to the Constitution was adopted, notice having been given at the 1949 meeting of Synod: Amend Article Six, Section II, A. 1— as follows: the words, "and secretary"

be inserted following the word, "President."

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented by the secretary of Synod.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Nebraska Synod held three meetings during the year: May 27, 1949 at Central Lutheran Seminary, October 13, 1949 and February 17, 1950, at First English Lutheran Church Omaha. The following items from the Executive Committee are presented to Synod.

As Information

1. CHEY. Mr. H. G. Wellensiek of Grand Island was named as Chairman of the CHEY campaign in our Synod. The following were named as members of the CHEY Committee: Mr. D. L. Tyrrell, Mr. Paul Palmquist, Mrs. J. E. Jensen, Mrs. L. Skocpol, together with conference presidents.
2. Pastor Paul Wiegman was named as a delegate to the Luther League convention at Roanoke and Pastor John Jacobs as alternate.
3. The Seventy Eighth Annual Convention of Synod was scheduled for April 17, 18, 19th at Grace Lutheran Church, West Point, Nebraska.
4. The Committee on Ministerial Education asked the executive committee to clarify the scope of work to be aided with Synod funds. The Executive Committee agreed that the students receiving aid from Synod should have the pastorate in view. The very purpose of these funds, it was agreed, is to provide pastors for our congregations. Motion carried that this be the rule to guide the Ministerial Education Committee.
5. The Stewardship Committee planned a laymen's Retreat for November 15 and 16 at Fremont. The purpose is to acquaint key men with the "over all church program."
6. Pastor John Jacobs was appointed as L.W.A. Director for this Synodical year.
7. The Committee agreed that there be but one camp period in 1950 for the Luther League, Pastor Paul deFreese was named as director of the Camp for 1950. Upon his leaving the synod Pastor Alfred W. Young was named Director. It was recommended by the Executive Committee that the Luther League continue to hold its convention with the Camp or have a seperate meeting in the fall.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Executive Committee received a communication from secretary F. E. Reinartz, U.L.C.A. stating that the committee on constituent Synods has received in a communication from secretary H. Welchert of the Midwest Synod, a copy of the historic action of that synod pertaining to its desire for merger with the Nebraska and Kansas Synods.

The Executive committee recommends that the Nebraska Synod express its gratification over the action taken at the 1949 meeting of the Midwest Synod and that we join with the Executive Board, U.L.C.A. and the Midwest and Kansas Synods in exploring the feasability and desirability of the suggested merger.

2. That the constitution of Nebraska Social Service be approved.
3. That the proposed By-Laws be adopted.
4. That the proposed amendment, including the Secretary of Synod as a member of the Home Missions Committee, be adopted.
5. That the Student Foundation program be deferred until the conculsion of the CHEY appeal.
6. That synod act favorably upon the recommendation of Midland College Executive Committee permitting use of CHEY funds up to $100,000.00 paying off accumulated operating deficit.
7. That the following budget for 1951 be adopted.

Salaries (President $4000.00, Secretary $150.00, Treasurer $150.00, Statistician $100.00)	$	4400.00
Midland College $1.35 per Communing Member		20324.00
Central Lutheran Seminary $.35 member per Communing		5269.00
President's Travel expense		1000.00
Office Rent		600.00
Home Mission Committee		6000.00
Beneficiary Education		500.00
Synodical Paper		750.00
General Expense Fund		600.00
Printing		400.00
Student Work		600.00
Young People's Camp		75.00
Auditor's Fees		35.00
Treasurer's Bond		10.00
Committee on Parish Life and Work		300.00
Promotion of Youth Work		300.00
Lutheran Social Service (Underwrite)		2000.00
		43163.00

Section 2, The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America 90%	82483.00	43163.00
Tabitha Home 10%	9165.00	
	91648.00	91648.00
	— —	134,811.00

Respectfully Submitted
Alfred W. Young, Secretary

Proposed By-Laws of the Constitution Of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod Of Nebraska

Section I.—Meetings

ITEM 1.-Meetings of Synod

a. The regular convention of the Synod shall be held the second week following Easter or as near that date as possible. The sessions shall begin on Monday and continue as long as the business of Synod may demand.

b. The Executive Committee shall prepare for all conventions of the Synod and present it for adoption at the opening session of each convention.

c. The President shall open and close all conventions with the use of the liturgical order prepared by The United Lutheran Church in America.

d. The President and those designated by him shall arrange for and administer the Holy Communion at every convention of the Synod.

e. The President shall appoint a chaplain for every convention of Synod.

ITEM 2—of the conferences

a. Each conference shall meet at least twice in each year. One of these meetings shall be at the meeting of Synod at which time conference officers shall be determined by the Conference Presidents.

SECTION II.—COMMITTEES

ITEM 1—The Executive Committee

a. Members

In addition to the officers designated by the Constitution as members of this committee, the committee shall consist of two pastors and two laymen.

b. Term of Office

The terms for members of this committee, other than the officers, shall be two years in such a manner that the terms of one clerical and one lay member shall expire each year.

c. A vacancy in this or any other committee

In case of death, removal beyond the bounds of Synod, or inability to serve, such vacancies may be filled by the executive committee until the meeting of Synod thereafter when such vacancies shall be filled by Synod itself in the usual manner.

d. Meetings

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to meet quarterly. Special meetings may be called by the President of Synod or three members of the committee.

The Conference Presidents may be invited to attend meetings of the Executive Committee as advisory members.

e. Trusteeship

The management of the property of this Synod, and the general supervision and oversight of the temporal affairs thereof shall be vested in the Executive Committee as trustees; and it is provided that the property belonging to this Synod, except as provided for in the duties of the Treasurer, and any property which shall be bequeathed, divised, or conveyed to Synod shall not otherwise be taken, held, or inure except through said committee, citizens of Nebraska and requirements of the articles of incorporation of this Synod, according to the rules, regulations, and usages of the Synod. It is also provided that any transfer, exchange, or sale of property belonging to Synod, shall be made by this Executive Committee as trustees of Synod, but by order of Synod itself. It is provided further that the Executive Committee shall at all times be subject to the direction and action of Synod itself when assembled in either regular or special conventions.

f. —Minutes

After the Executive Committee has examined the printed minutes of the last convention of the Synod, and made marginal corrections, if any, and added typewritten inserts of any matters withheld from the printed minutes at the page of such omission the Secretary shall present two such copies of the printed minutes certified by himself and the President, to the next regular convention of Synod to become the protocol of the convention to which it pertains. One copy shall be retained in the synodical offices. The other copy shall be placed in the archives of the Synod.

ITEM 2—Standing Committees

MISSION COMMITTEE

a. Term of Office

The terms for members of this committee other than designated Synodical officers shall be three years for clerical members and two years for lay members in such manner that the terms of one clerical and one lay member shall expire each year.

b. Duties

Synodical missionaries, under the authority of this Synod, or missionaries under the Board of American Missions, or both, shall render monthly or quarterly reports to this committee.

This committee shall recommend the amount of aid to be given to missions within the territory of Synod, and also the amount of salary to be paid to missionaries under the authority of this Synod.

The Treasurer of this committee shall be the custodian of annual appropriation of Synod for Missionary purposes.

He shall have the custody of any money, notes, securities or investments that may become the property of this Synod entrusted to this Committee.

For the faithful discharge of his duty he shall be required to give a surety bond in such amount as shall be determined by the Ex-

cutive Committee; such bond to be paid for from the funds of the Missionary Committee.

The Treasurer of this committee annually at least thirty days before the meeting of Synod shall report to the Treasurer of Synod the amount of money received from him during the Synodical year, the amount of money disbursed, and the balance of the funds in his hands.

He shall turn over to the Executive Committee either upon removal from the bounds of Synod, death or retirement from office, all notes, securities, moneys, books, and papers belonging to Synod or to this committee.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

a. Members

This Committee shall consist of the President of Synod and four (4) ordained ministers and four (4) laymen of Synod, who shall be appointed by the President of the Synod for a term of four (4) years, in such manner that the terms of one minister and one layman shall expire each year. No member shall be reappointed until a year shall have elapsed after the completion of his term of service.

b. Meetings

This committee shall meet at each Synodical meeting, and at the call of the Chairman. Meetings shall also be called at the request of a majority of the committee.

This committee shall select from among its members a Chairman, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

c. Beneficiary Aid

All applicants for aid. in preparing for the ministry in the Lutheran Church, must be made in writing to this committee, who shall require the applicant in person to appear before them and state his motives for entering the ministry. Applicants who are granted aid shall be known as "Beneficiaries." Financial aid shall not be extended to persons who are not preparing for the ministry in the Lutheran Church. This Committee shall determine the amount to be granted to each applicant, and the number of students to be aided.

In all cases where aid is granted the Committee shall require each Beneficiary to attend Midland College and the Central Theological Seminary and shall require each Beneficiary to take the prescribed course. Such Beneficiaries shall be required to pursue a continuous course of study from the time of matriculation at College until graduated from the College and also from the Seminary, unless an exception is allowed by formal action of the Synod.

In all cases where aid is granted a Beneficiary, it is provided that no allowance shall be granted for more than one academic year; a new application being required for each subsequent year of the College and Seminary courses.

Without the approval of Synod this Committee shall not incur any indebtedness.

The applicant shall be of exemplary character, free from all habits unbecoming a minister of the Gospel and physically and mentally qualified for the Gospel ministry. Each applicant shall have been a consistent and active member of the Lutheran Church of the Nebraska Synod for at least one year, and he shall have attained scholarship such as would admit him to the Sophomore Class in any accredited Lutheran College; he shall present to the committee credits from the institution which he has previously attended.

Applicants for Beneficiary aid shall present letters to the committee from the Lutheran Church of which they are members, signed by the Pastor and Church Council, setting forth the religious qualifications, family history, financial resources and general grounds for recommending the applicant for aid.

The committee shall require that a term or semester report be sent it by the Registrar of the Institution, and an average grade of "C" shall be required to continue any Beneficiary on the fund of Synod.

Exceptions in the matter of eligibility may be made by recommendation of this committee subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of Synod.

d. When loans made to Beneficiaries of Synod are repaid, either in whole or in part, such refunded amounts shall be kept as a Sinking Fund, such sinking fund to augment the work of the committee.

e. Loans

The amount of aid granted annually to any student shall be paid in two equal installments at the beginning and middle of the year.

Each applicant who shall receive aid from the Beneficiary funds of this Synod shall be required to sign a promissory note with interest at the current rate, from date with such endorsement as shall be required by the committee, but the committee shall not accept a note signed either by any pastor or any congregation, or college or seminary professor. Interest upon such promissory note shall not be chargeable as long as the applicant continues his studies for the ministry and complies with the requirements of this committee of Synod. Beneficiaries of the Synod shall be ordained by this Synod, except under such conditions of ministerial work as shall be approved by a majority vote of the Committee on Ministerial Education, together with the endorsement of the President of Synod.

This committee shall have the right and power at any time, upon due notice, to discontinue Synodical aid and also request payment of note, with interest, from any applicant or Beneficiary whose (1) conduct is considered as unbecoming a minister of the Gospel; (2) who discontinues his studies; (3) who voluntarily demits the ministry or enters the ministry of any other denomination or church before completion of ten years' service in The United Lutheran Church in America.

Should the applicant fail to serve the full ten-year period because of permanent physical or mental reverses, or, due to any other reason or reasons which this committee deems justifiable, said note or notes will be returned to such Beneficiary.

f. Treasurer.

The Treasurer of this committee shall pay all installments of aid granted to Beneficiaries only upon the written order either of the Chairman or Secretary of this committee. He shall have the custody of all notes of Beneficiaries for safe keeping and endorsement for payment and the custody of any money, securities or investments entrusted to this committee. Upon the written order of either the Chairman or Secretary of this committee, he shall return to the Beneficiaries the cancelled notes held against them after ten years service in the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Treasurer's books shall be audited annually.

g. Budget

The committee shall present annually to the Executive Committee of the Synod, for incorporation in the budget of the Synod, the amount which in the judgment of the committee shall be needed in carrying on its work.

ITEM III—Special Committees

The following special committees shall be appointed by the Excutive Committee:

Congregations and Parishes
Parish Life and Work
Reference and Counsel
Stewardship
Synodical Paper
Students in Non-Lutheran Schools
Subscription to the Lutheran Publications
Elections

It shall be the duty of all elective and standing committees to turn over to their successors all property and documents belonging to Synod.

COMMITTEE ON CONGREGATIONS AND PARISHES

a. Members

This committee shall consist of three ordained ministers, who have been members of this Synod for at least two synodical years prior to their appointment, and who shall be appointed for a term of three years, in such manner that the term of at least one member shall expire each year. It shall select from among its own members a Chairman. It shall present a written report to Synod relative to all business submitted to it for consideration together with its findings and recommendations in each case.

b. Duties

I. The Articles of Incorporation, and the Constitution and By-Laws of any congregation making application for membership in Synod shall be referred to this committee by the President of Synod. Amendments, alterations or revision of the Articles of Incorporation or Constitution and By-Laws of congregations already members of Synod shall be referred to this committee for approval. Two or more congregations of Synod desiring to be constituted into a pastorate shall be referred by the President of Synod to this committee for approval, and ratification of the agreement between these congregations. It shall report its action and recommendation for Synod's approval.

2. This committee shall be required to examine scrupulously the Articles of incorporation, and the Constitution and By-Laws of each congregation applying for admission to Synod. And it shall so examine all agreements relative to the constituting or dissolving of pastorates. Should any congregation being a member of Synod seek to withdraw from Synod, the President of Synod shall refer such proposed withdrawal to this committee for its consideration and a conference with representatives of such congregation, and it shall report fully upon the facts to Synod for action, but it shall have no power to grant a letter of withdrawal without the action of Synod.

3. Any congregation or pastorate failing to meet the requirements relative to the Committee on Congregations and Parishes shall not be admitted to Synod until such alterations or amendments as recommended by this committee shall have been made by the applicant. If this cannot be done before or during the meeting of Synod, then, when such requirements have been legally met by such applicants whether a new congregation or pastorate, the President by and with the consent of the Committee on Congregations and Parishes shall have power ad interim to enroll such congregation or pastorate as a member of Synod.

It shall be the business of this committee to see that all requirements of Synod as stipulated in its Constitution and By-Laws are provided for in the Articles of Incorporation and Constitution and By-Laws of any congregation applying for membership in Synod, and this shall include the proper relation of pastor and congregation as interpreted by the United Lutheran Church in America.

COMMITTEE ON PARISH LIFE AND WORK

a. There shall be a Committee on Parish Life and Work

b. Duties

1. To be a two-way channel of communication between the congregations and the Parish and Church School Board.

2. To co-operate with the local churches in making the observance of Parish Education Month more vital and to assist them in striving to attain some specific goal each year.

3. To encourage and promote the organization of Leadership Training classes and schools throughout the Nebraska Synod territory.

4. To co-operate with the Midland Assembly in stimulating a larger attendance of workers at this Assembly for the purpose of receiving training in various phases of leadership education.

5. To assist in the formation and maintence of Lutheran Church School Associations.

6. To co-operate with any agency of parish education in the local church whereby leaders for all phases of parish education may be discovered.

7. To ascertain the status of parish education in the congregation, by periodical surveys so as to determine strengths and weaknesses and to help local congregations solve their parish education problems.

COMMITTEE ON REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

a. Members

This committee shall consist of three ministers. It shall have charge of the order of presentation of business in conformity with the established order of business of the Synod.

b. Business

All business requiring the attention of Synod shall first be presented to this committee who shall assign a time and place for its consideration. It shall have power to sift all requests and applications for a hearing before Synod and determine whether or not such requests and applications are in harmony with the Constitution of Synod and should be granted. Without first being referred to this committee and receiving its permission no subject foreign to the Constitution of Synod shall be permitted a hearing before Synod. At each session of Synod it shall present an order of business, and this shall be known as the order of the day.

COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP

a. Members

This committee shall consist of two ministers and three laymen.

b. Duties

It shall have charge of the Systematic Beneficence of Synod as well as of all matters relating to stewardship within the bounds of Synod, and co-operate with the Stewardship Program of The United Lutheran Church in America in carrying on the benevolent work of this Synod.

Recommendations of a financial character shall be reported to the Executive Committee of Synod three months prior to the meeting of Synod.

COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL PAPER

a. Members

The Committee on Synodical Paper shall consist of the Conference Presidents.

b. Duties

It shall be the duty of this committee to edit and publish the Synodical paper from time to time as directed by Synod itself when in session. The Chairman of this committee shall be the editor. The Executive Committee during the interim of Synod shall be consulted and give advice concerning the publication and management of the Synodical paper. The Committee on Synodical paper, however, shall be responsible to Synod for all matters in connection with the editing, publishing and managing of the paper.

COMMITTEE ON STUDENTS IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

a. Members

This committee shall consist of pastors in or near non-Lutheran college centers.

b. Duties

This committee shall endeavor to affect or assist in affecting a ministry to Lutheran students in non-Lutheran schools in cooperation with the Student Service Commission of the National Lutheran Council.

COMMITTEE ON PROMOTING SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE LUTHERAN

a. Members

This committee shall consist of three members, at least one of whom shall be a layman.

b. Duties

This committee shall direct its efforts in placing The Lutheran in every home in our Synod and shall assist the pastors in the achievement of this purpose.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

a. Members

This committee shall consist of three (3) members.

b. Duties

It shall be the duty of this committee to review and study periodicals and books and make such recommendations as may be of value to the members of Synod or the Board of Publication.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

a. Members

This committee shall consist of three (3) members.

b. Duties

This committee shall conduct all elections, appoint tellers and provide necessary ballots.

SECTION III.—Congregations

1. Only one candidate for a pastorate shall be proposed for election and voted upon at any one congregational meeting.

2. Any vacant congregation or pastoral charge in arrears on account of salary of a former pastor shall be required to make satisfactory adjustment thereof before calling a successor.

3. In extending a call to a pastor, a congregation is expected to pay all necessary moving expenses.

4. When there is a vacancy in a pastorate at the time when the annual parochial report is to be submitted, the secretary of each congregation, or someone appointed by him, shall carefully and conscientiously fill out that report and send it to the Statistician by the date specified by him.

SECTION IV—REPORTS TO THE SYNOD

1. With the exception of the President's report, which shall cover his activities between the sessions of the Synod, all other reports, including financial statements, shall be conformed to the calendar year.

2. All officers, committees, delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America, directors, and trustees shall present their reports, typewritten, double-spaced in duplicate, to the Secretary before the date designated by him to enable their inclusion in the printed pre-convention bulletin.

3. Every report shall be signed by a majority of those submitting it. Minority statements shall be signed by the entire minority dissenting.

4. The Secretary of Synod shall mail one copy of the pre-convention bulletin to each minister on the Synodical roll and one additional copy for the use of the lay delegate of each parish at least two weeks before the regular convention of Synod.

5. The Executive Committee is authorized to require that all financial reports shall be audited by an accredited accountant before presentation to the Synod. All financial statements submitted to the Synod shall be in such form as to show clearly and separately both current operating accounts, and capital accounts. There shall be presented in each case a balance sheet showing resources and liabilities in reasonable detail.

6. Any board or committee of Synod presenting a recommendation for action by the Synod aside from those contained in the pre-convention bulletin shall place it in the hands of all delegates in writing at least one day before the action can be taken.

SECTION V—RULES OF ORDER

In all cases not specified otherwise in the Constitution and these By-Laws, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern this body.

SECTION VI—AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these By-Laws may be made at any session of the Synod by a majority vote provided that every such amendment shall have been submitted in writing at a previous session.

SECTION VII—DELEGATES

The Delegates and Alternates shall be those to the Conventions of the United Lutheran Church in America. The number of delegates and alternates shall be specified by the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America. An equal number of clerical and lay delegates shall be elected. All delegates and alternates shall be elected by ballot.

No clerical member or layman shall be eligible as a delegate to the convention of The United Lutheran Church more than twice in succession. When a delegate or alternate elect shall remove beyond the bound of this Synod before the meeting of The United Lutheran Church in America, he shall not be accredited to represent this Synod and such vacancy shall be filled as follows:

The names of those elected shall be recorded according to the priority of their election. When any delegate is unable to attend the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America to which he is elected, he shall at once inform the President of Synod so that he may immediately notify the alternates in the order in which they have been elected.

The President of Synod shall be one of the clerical delegates.

A per diem allowance shall be granted to each delegate in attendance at a rate fixed by the Executive Committee.

To any special Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America the delegates last elected by this Synod shall be its representatives.

The President of Synod shall be chairman of the delegation.

The Secretary of Synod, if not an elected delegate, shall nevertheless attend as a representative of Synod.

SECTION VIII—ELECTIONS

The election of all officers shall be by ballot, and in those offices where ministers only are eligible there shall be no nominations. And the same rule shall apply in the election of clerical members to delegations, boards, trustees and Executive Committee; but for lay members nominations may be made.

Election of officers shall take place as the first item of business after the roll of Synod is made up and reports of the officers and elective committees of Synod are made. Officers re-elected shall be installed at the close of the last business session. The Executive Committee shall arrange for the installation of newly elected officers.

In the election of officers there shall be no election on the first ballot unless it is a three-fourths majority; a two-thirds majority on the second ballot; and if the second ballot fails to result in an election, the third ballot shall be confined to the two persons who in the second ballot received the highest number of votes, and no vote

cast for any other shall be counted. In the third or succeeding ballots a majority of the votes shall elect.

Should the President fail of re-election, then he shall be allowed three months with proportionate pay therefor in which to conclude and adjust the affairs of the office.

The election of delegates and alternates, trustees and committees provided for in this Constitution and By-Laws shall be by a majority vote.

SECTION IX—MINISTERS

ITEM 1

Should a minister resign as pastor either of an individual congregation or of a pastorate, he shall tender a letter of resignation to the Church Council or Joint Council as the case may be, which shall be referred to the congregation or pastorate for consideration and action. This fact he at once shall report to the President of Synod.

ITEM 2

Should any minister find himself constrained to relinquish the regular duties of the ministry to engage in secular business, he shall deposit his certificate of ordination with the President of Synod, reporting to said officer that he has demitted the ministry. If he should desire again to engage in the ministry, his certificate of ordination shall be returned to him after a colloquim, upon the recommendation of the Examining Committee.

ITEM 3—Retired Ministers Serving the Church Otherwise Than as Pastors of Congregations:

a. Every retired clergyman who is not serving under call from the Church should be a member in good standing of some Lutheran congregation.

b. Every such clergyman should likewise hold a definite relationship to a Synod.

c. Retired clergymen serving the Church otherwise than as pastors of congregations, should not be selected as lay representatives from any congregation, in order that the object of lay representation should be faithfully observed.

ITEM IV—Congregational Membership of Ministers Who Are Not Pastors of Congregations.

a. Every pastor is not only an officer, but a member of the congregation over which he is placed.

b. Where the pastoral relation is sundered, membership within the congregation last served remains until a formal transfer be made to another congregation.

c. The congregational membership of the President of this Synod shall be determined by his own personal judgment, the understanding being that any congregation within the Synod, which has elected him to office as Chief Executive will require no further testimonial for his admission as a member than his personal application to be so enrolled; and that notice served by him of his withdrawal

from the congregation he has hitherto served, or from which he is about to withdraw, shall be regarded as the honorable method of terminating said relation with a particular congregation, in order that he may be better able to serve the Synod to which both the President and the congregation belong.

d. The By-Laws under this section "shall be understood as carrying with them only explanatory and advisory force and not as being mandatory."

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION FOR NEBRASKA LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICE

FOREWORD.

It has become evident during the past several years that there is a need in the State of Nebraska for churches of the National Lutheran Council to plan and develop a common Social service program, particularly a chaplaincy service program. It becomes necessary to establish some representative agency which may be charged with the responsibility of developing such an N.L.C. program, - an agency which may also utilize the counsel and guidance of the Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council.

Such an agency, approved and supported by the districts, conferences or synods of the N. L. C. in the State of Nebraska, may also be a recognized agency through which any general Lutheran Church body may direct its appropriations.

In order to meet this need the executive commitee of the Central District of the A.L.C. invited representatives of the other N. L. C. synods to a meeting in Omaha on December 5th, 1949. Dr. C. E. Krumbholz of the N. L. C. and Dr. Carl Reuss, Executive Director of the Board of Social Action of the A.L.C. were also present. A Committee on constitution met on January 5, 1950, and on January 30 reported back to the entire group.

The following constitution has been framed to be presented to each of the N.L.C. Synods in 1950 for official approval and authorization to proceed with the organization of the association. If the synod approves the constitution, it shall immediately elect its respective representatives.

It is understood that as soon as this constitution has been approved by a sufficient number of synods, conferences, or districts to aggregate three fourths of the congregations of the N.L.C. in Nebraska, the organization shall be effected.

ARTICLE I. — NAME

The name of this organization shall be Nebraska Lutheran Social Service.

ARTICLE II. — PURPOSE

The purpose shall be to serve as a common social service association for National Lutheran Council church bodies operating in

Nebraska, to develop and administer programs of Christian social service as needs are demonstrated and resources permit. It shall work in close cooperation with other social service programs in the state and shall participate in coordinating programs which may be sponsored by the Churches or communities.

ARTICLE III. — MEMBERSHIP

1. The membership shall consist of the representatives elected by the respective National Lutheran Council church bodies covering the area of Nebraska, that have indicated their desire to participate in this association and have accepted this constitution.

2. The president of each participating church body shall be the representative for the first 5000 confirmed members of that group in Nebraska; and an additional representative shall be elected for each additional 5000 confirmed members, or major fraction thereof. (see exhibit A.)

3. The president of each participating church body shall be a member as long as he remains in his office. Other members shall be elected for terms of three years dating from the annual meeting following his election.

4. Participating church bodies shall have the right to fill vacancies occurring in their respective representations.

ARTICLE IV. — OFFICERS

1. The officers shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer, with duties as outlined in the By-Laws.

2. The officers shall be elected from the membership at the annual meeting, for a term of one year and until their successors are chosen and qualified.

ARTICLE V. — POWERS

1. The powers to manage the affairs of the association shall be under the control of the members (acting as the board of directors).

2. The association may authorize the executive committee to act in its stead between meetings or during such periods as the association may specifically determine in advance.

ARTICLE VI. — FINANCES

1. This association shall present one united annual appeal to the National Lutheran Council congregations in Nebraska for financial support for all cooperative Lutheran welfare work in Nebraska. Contributions to this cause shall be on a voluntary basis.

2. All funds thus received for cooperative Lutheran Welfare work in Nebraska shall be disbursed through the Nebraska Lutheran Social Service.

3. The activities of this association shall be limited to the funds available.

ARTICLE VII. — MEETINGS.

1. The annual meeting of the association shall be held in September on a date fixed by the executive committee, written or print-

ed notice of which shall be given by the secretary to each member, not less than fourteen days before such meetings.

2. Other regular meetings may be held as determined by the association.

3. Special meetings may be called by the president of the association, or by vote of the executive committee, and must be called when seven members of the association direct a written request for a meeting to the president.

4. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VIII. — COMMITTEES.

There shall be the following standing committees:

1. The executive committee, composed of the officers of the association.

2. The chaplaincy service committee, selected by the association.

3. Other committees, appointed or elected as need is indicated.

ARTICLE IX. — BY-LAWS

By-laws, not in conflict with this constitution, may be added by the association.

ARTICLE X — AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by the affirmative vote of the members present and voting at any annual meeting of the association, provided that notice of the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing to the executive committees of the participating bodies and the members of the association, at least sixty days prior to the date of the annual meeting.

EXHIBIT A.

Representation to the association, based on the latest figures.

A. The Central District of the Am. Lutheran Church ---------- 2
And its president, by virtue of his office ---------- 1

B. The Nebraska Conference of the Augustana Lutheran Church 1
And its president, by virtue of his office ---------- 1

C. The Nebraska Synod of the United Lutheran Church ---------- 3
And its president, by virtue of his office ---------- 1

D. The Midwest Synod of the United Lutheran Church ---------- 1
And its president, by virtue of his office ---------- 1

E. The president of the Nebraska District of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, by virtue of his office ------ 1

F. The President of the South Dakota District of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, by virtue of his office ------ 1

G. The President of District Seven of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church, by virtue of his office ---------- 1

H. The President of the Luverne District of the Lutheran Free Church, by virtue of his office ---------- 1

Recommendation No. 1 was adopted.

Recommendation No. 2 was adopted with the proviso that the proposed constitution be approved by the Executive Board of the U.L.CA.

Recommendation No. 3 Moved and seconded that the proposed By-Laws be used to govern this convention of Synod.

Recommendation No. 4 adopted.

Recommendation No. 5 adopted.

Recommendation No. 6 adopted.

ELECTIONS: Tellers reported the following elected: Secretary—Rev. Alfred W. Young, Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, Statistician, Rev. R. V. Davis.

Session was adjourned with Prayer by the Chaplain of Synod.

Tuesday Afternoon 1:30 P. M. April 18,1950

Devotions were conducted by the Chaplain of Synod.

The minutes of previous sessions were read and approved.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel offered the following recommendations:

1. That the report of the Ministerial Education Committee be the first item of business this afternoon.
2. That Rev. W. F. Wise, Director of Resettlement in this area, be heard immediately following the report of the Historian.

Recommendations were adopted.

Rev. W. C. Heidenreich presented the report of the Committee on Ministerial Education.

THE MINISTERIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Your Ministerial Education Committee held two meetings since the last convention of Synod. The first meeting was held in September of 1949 at Central Seminary in Fremont.

The following officers were elected: Chariman, Pastor W. C. Heidenreich; Secretary, Pastor Geo. P. Krebs; Treasurer, D. L. Tyrrell.

At the morning session the committee discussed the procedure to be followed in granting ministerial aid to students.

A motion was made and carried that we ask the Executive Committee of Synod for ruling to clarify the scope of the committee's activities.

The committee, in order to form a closer contact and understanding between its members and the students in the Seminary and the pre-theological students in Midland college belonging to Synod, invited them to a fellowship luncheon at noon. Dr. E. B. Keisler, President of Central Seminary; Dr. P. W. H. Frederick of the Seminary faculty from our Synod; and Dr. W. P. Hier-

onymus, President of Midland College were also guests. An informal discussion of the joys and problems of the ministry was held.

The committee met again in the afternoon to consider the applications of students R. Waldo Hansen, a middler in Central Seminary, and Wilbur G. Volker, a junior in Central Seminary.

An interview was held with each applicant. They having made proper application and having signed satisfactory notes, were each granted aid to the amount of $125.00 for the first Seminary semester.

The committee met again January 16, 1950. Two applications for ministerial aid were received. R. Waldo Hansen and Wilbur G. Volker applied for aid for the second semester. Since their applications were satisfactory and they presented the customary notes, they were granted aid to the amount of $125.00 each.

The chairman anounced the approval by circular letter of the application of Norman Suhr for aid for the first semester for $125. This action was placed on file.

Dr. E. B. Keisler presented Mr. Arno Lehmann, an exchange student, to this body. After an interview with this young man the committee approved his entrance into the seminary as a special student.

The committee received the action of the Executive Committee defining the procedure this committee should follow in granting ministerial aid.

The committee requests the usual appropriation of $500.00 for ministerial aid for 1951.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. Heidenreich, Chairman

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Treasurer's Report — 1949

Balance on hand January 1, 1950	$ 1498.28
Receipts — Received from H. E. Wood	500.00
	$1998.28
Disbursements —	
1-14 Waldo Hansen	112.50
1-14 Paul Kuening	112.50
2-2 Pathfinder Hotel Lunch	21.00
2-2 W. Kuening Expense	12.00
2-2 Dr. Lesher Expense	6.00
2-2 Rev. Heidenreich Expense	18.00
2-2 Rev. Krebs Expense	3.50
9-27 Pathfinder Hotel Lunch	36.00
9-27 Rev. Miller Expense	17.70
9-27 Rev. Heidenreich Expense	15.00
9-27 Dr. Lesher Expense	6.00
10-10 Waldo Hansen	125.00
10-25 W. Volker	125.00

12-10 N. Suhr	125.00
Total Disbursements	$ 735.20
Balance on Hand	$ 1263.08

(Signed)
D. L. Tyrrell, Treasurer

The Recommendation of appropriation of $500.00 was adopted.

Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz continued his report on behalf of the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A.

The Report of the Committee of Conference Presidents was presented by Pastor J. B. Rupley, Jr.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS

Your committee had three meetings during the past Synodical year. Principal items of business included the making of plans for the fall conference meetings, a meeting with the Executive Committee of Synod to plan for the Christian Higher Education Year, and the preparation of By-laws for the Synodical constitution to be recommended to Synod upon approval by the Executive Committee. Officers of the committee in addition to the President of Synod are: Pastor J. B. Rupley Jr., Secretary, and Pastor J.H.M. Shiery, Historian.

Respectfully submitted,
Theodore J. C. Schuldt
J.H.M. Shiery
F. W. Henkel
J. B. Rupley, Jr.

The Historian's Report was presented by Pastor John Shiery.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

The following events have been brought to the attention of your Historian:

Davenport:

February 27, 1949, a Reuter organ with chimes was dedicated by Pastor Henry Dumler. Dedication sermon was delivered by the President of Synod. Dr. J. C. Hershey, former pastor of the congregation, preached the sermon at the afternoon service.

This organ was a gift given by Mrs. Nettie Hoover.

Dalton:

March 27, 1949, Trinity Church observed the ground breaking for their new church. The service was in charge of Pastor Ray Bartels. He was assisted by Pastor J. B. Rupley, Jr. and Pastor Norman Schroeder.

The church will be of solid brick construction. The cornerstone was laid August 14, 1949. Clergy assisting were Pastor Bartels, Pastor B. Simon and Pastor H. Borchardt.

Lincoln:

Grace Lutheran, Lincoln, the Dr. Leland Lesher, pastor, dedicated a new church on Sunday, September 12, 1949, at a cost of a quarter-million dollars.

The dedication sermon was delivered by Pastor J. E. Stockman, Roanoke, Virginia, former Lincoln Air Base Chaplain. Other clergy assisting in the services were Pastor T. J. C. Schuldt, Pastor A. Peterson, Pastor W. C. Wise and Pastor A. J. Wolfe.

The church is of modern Gothic architecture with an exterior of chipped Silverdale stone interspersed with Bedford. Seating capacity is 661. In addition to the church proper there are 20 rooms for Sunday School and other activities. The Ludden Memorial Chapel will seat 125. This is a gift of the Ladies Circle, in memory of the first pastor and organizer of the church (1890), Dr. L. P. Ludden. A well planned book of dedication, explains and illustrates thoroughly the rise of Grace Lutheran. A copy of this booklet has been placed in the archives of synod.

West Point:

Grace Lutheran Church, Pastor George Krebs, celebrated its 75th anniversary, October 16, 1949. Pastor Krebs conducted the service. The anniversary sermon was preached by Dr. W. A. Klink, a former pastor, who served this church for 23 years. President of Synod spoke briefly and extended greetings of Synod to the congregation.

At the afternoon service, Prof. R. R. Syre, Central Seminary, delivered an inspiring message. The anniversary banquet was held October 17, at which time Dr. W. A. Traub, Omaha, delivered the address.

A special booklet was prepared, containing a history of the congregation and special material of the church at the present time. At the time of writing, a new parsonage has been built next to the church.

A copy of this book has been placed in the archives of Synod.

Lincoln:

The New Home for the Aged and Infirm was dedicated at Tabitha Home, November 20, 1949.

Dr. O. W. Ebright, Executive Director, conducted the Threshold Service. Dedication was in charge of Dr. R. R. Belter, President of the Board of Directors. Dr. H. D. Hoover, Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania preached the sermon. Assisting in this service were Pastor Leland Lesher, Pastor Ralph Livers.

Emerson:

November 27, 1949, the old cornerstone was relocated and the new one placed opposite it in the tower. Pastor T. J. C. Schuldt, President of Synod, assisted Pastor R. R. Pfeiffer in the laying of the stones.

St. Luke's edifice is entirely of tan shades of brick with Bedford stone sills and semi-gothic trim around the front door and Gethsemane window.

Omaha:

Grace Lutheran church was completely remodeled and a rededication service was held December 11, 1949.

Pastor H. J. Goede conducted the service of rededication. Dr. A. W. Young, Secretary of Synod delivered the sermon at the afternoon service.

This fine project shows what a church can do, when 100% cooperation is given by the membership.

An appropriate booklet for the occasion was widely distributed. A copy of this booklet has been placed in the archives of synod.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. M. Shiery

Pastor W. F. Wise reported on the Resettlement Program, informing Synod as to its progress in this area.

Pastor J. C. Jessifer, D.P. Pastor spoke to Synod, calling attention to the great need of work among the Displaced Persons.

Elections: Tellers reported Elections as follows:

Clerical Delegates to the United Lutheran Church Convention

Pastors: George P. Krebs, Henry Dumler, Henry J. Goede and Alfred W. Young.

Lay Delegates: Karl Weizenkamp, Edgar Havekost, Carl Olson, W. Keuning, Dr. W. D. Ketter.

Alternate Clerical Delegates: Pastors Paul Wiegman, Fred Henkel, John Jacobs, Wm. F. Most, Fred Kern.

Alternate Lay Delegates: Cuthbert Miller, Harms Kruse, Roy Bartels, L. Hahn, Wm. Hahle.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by the Chaplain.

Tuesday Night **6:00 P. M.** **April 18, 1950**

Dr. C. B. Harman and Dr. P. W. H. Frederick were honored at a fellowship dinner, in respect to their 50 years of service in the ministry. Dr. John Hershey paid tribute to Dr. Harman, who was unable to be present. Dr. Walter Traub paid tribute to Dr. Frederick, who in turn responded.

Ordination Service **8:00 P. M.** **April 18, 1950**

The Ordination service was conducted in Grace Lutheran Church, West Point, at 8:00 p.m. with the following pastors participating: G. P. Krebs, A. W. Young, L. H. Lesher, T. J. C. Schuldt, W. C. Heidenreich, and W. Welchert.

The sermon was preached by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

The candidate Mr. Vernon Jacobs was ordained by President T. J. C. Schuldt with the other pastors participating in the laying on of hands.

Wednesday Morning **8:45 A. M.** **April 19, 1950**

Devotions were conducted by Dr. J. B. Rupley, Chaplain of Synod.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel brought in the following recommendations:

1. That the reports of the following committees be heard at once: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and Tabitha Home Trustees.
2. That Mr. O. L. Sturtevant, president of the Synodical Brotherhood, be heard immediately following the report of Central Lutheren Seminary.

The Recommendations were adopted.

Dr. L. H. Lesher presented the Report of the Home Missions Committee.

HOME MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Home Missions Committee is prompted by a twofold motive with one purpose, the strengthening of our existing work and the establishment of new congregations for the purpose of proclaiming the Gospel message in order that more people might know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

Motivated by the desire to strengthen existing work your committee is happy to present an encouraging report. The committee recognizes the difficulty with which work has been carried on in some of our relatively smaller congregations. In certain instances, because of their size, it has been obviously difficult for congregations to support their work adequately. The result has been that some have experienced a series of short pastorates and rather frequent and extended periods of vacancy. It must be recognized, however, that there has been a loyalty and commendable expression of stewardship on the part of the people in these congregations. They have manifested an earnest desire to go forward and have been willing to give of their means in order that this might be accomplished. Recognizing such eagerness on the part of the people for capable pastoral leadership and also the difficulties which some congregations have encountered in the past, your committee, in the name of Synod, has offered assistance so that through mutual cooperation the work of the Church might go forward. Congregations and pastors have been heartened by Synod's interest in their welfare and have engaged in the Master's work with a new spirit of resolve and enthusiasm.

At the present time your committee is working with the congregations and pastors at Broadwater, Wilber, Walton-Eagle and Spencer. In each of these places the work is progressing nicely. Pastor Cordts of Wilber and Pastor Simon of Broadwater have been working in their respective fields for several years and, therefore, to their capable leadership has been added the impetus of continuity with results that are indeed encouraging. We rejoice with the congregations at Walton and Eagle in that Pastor Paul Kuehner accepted the Calls extended by them and is now busily at work in this field which has been vacant for more than a year. We are encouraged by the reports which come from these congregations and look forward to a period of sound building under the experienced leadership of Pastor Kuehner. The fact that Pastor Wilfred Henning, on March 1st, assumed leadership of the congregation at Spencer is also a source of joy and causes us to follow with interest and anticipation the work of that congregation. It would be an injustice of omission not to speak well of the effort being put forth by the people of these congregations and also the congregation at Bellevue in which your committee is directly interested. We gratefully acknowledge their willing and cooperative spirit.

We report, appreciatively, also on the work of this committee in relation to the Board of American Missions of our United Lutheran Church. This phase of our work has a threefold significance. The one concerns delinquent obligations of long standing with the Board These have now been met with satisfactory arrangements. In two of the three instances payment has been made in full thus erasing the obligations entirely while the remaining debt is being met with regular payments to the mutual satisfaction of the Board, the Synod and the congregation. It is proper that we recognize, by way of report, the helpfulness of the Board in this regard through its Division of Church Extension.

A second significant factor in our relationship with the Board concerns an existing work. The Board has manifested a continuing interest in our congregation at Bellevue. With the resignation of Pastor Kramer the congregation was again faced with the difficult problem of obtaining a pastor. We are happy to report that Mr. George Steffens of the California Synod is now the resident student supply pastor busily at work in this field. Mr. Steffens and his family are occupying the parsonage while he serves this congregation and pursues his studies at Central Seminary. This arrangement has been made with the approval and cooperation of the Board, the Synod and the congregation here, too, we follow with interest the increasing momentum of the work.

A third significant feature of our Synod-Board relationship concerns the establishment of a new mission at Alliance, Nebraska. This work is scheduled to begin June 1st under the leadership of Pastor Vernon Jacobs. This field was surveyed in May 1949 under the direction of the Division of Survey and Research of the Board. The survey was made by Pastors Pfeiffer, Gigstad, Monnich, Bartels, students Philip Biblehimer and Earl Heuser of Central Seminary, together with the President of Synod. Later the Board approved the field for occupancy. We are happy that Mr. Vernon Jacobs accepted

the Call extended him by the Board upon the recommendation of this committee. We shall follow the development of this field with eager interest and humbly pray that Almighty God will guide and prosper this effort.

It is recognized that certain phases of this commitee's activity may be carried on in cooperation with the Board of American Missions and also that certain responsibilities of the committee must be met by the committee alone. Your committee is aware of the need for additional funds with which to carry on its work. The committee's recommendation in this regard has been approved by the Executive Committee of Synod and appears in the corresponding item of the recommended budget for 1951.

Theodore J. C. Schuldt. Sec'y.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Treasurer's Report

Jan. 1, 1949 to Jan. 1, 1950

RECEIPTS

Balance on Hand - 12|31|48	$1176.39	
Nebraska Synod	3397.00	
Kansas Synod	300.00	
Women's Missionary Society	503.00	
St. Marks - Omaha, Fund	9523.44	
Erixson Property Sale	434.13	
Refund Alliance Survey	163.91	$15,497.87

DISBURSEMENTS

Salary: Rev. Carlos Guzman - 1 year (Salary 1860.00 less loan paid $100.00)	$1760.00	
Salary: Rev. Kendig Rupley - 1 month	16.67	
Salary: Rev. M. B. Simon - 1 year	399.96	
Salary: Rev. H. C. Cordts - 1 year	399.96	
Salary: Jesucita Velez - 1 year	1200.00	
Salary: Rev. P. D. Anderson - 9 months	225.00	
Loan: Rev. Carlos Guzman	100.00	
Board of American Mission (Erixson Loan $140.00-Int. $10.00)	150.00	
Bond: P. H. Palmquist (Treas. Bond)	5.00	
First Lutheran Church, York, Nebr.	40.00	
Rev. Carlos Guzman - Gift	25.00	
Rev. Carlos Guzman - Synod Meeting	6.30	
Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt - Alliance Survey	163.91	
J. P. Cooke Co. - Rubber Stamp	1.50	
Rev. L. H. Lesher - Home Mission Conference	16.00	
Rev. M. B. Simon - Home Mission Conference	75.00	
Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church - 19th and Castellar Mexican Mission	130.00	
Salary: Rev. Paul Kuehner - 2 months	100.00	
Travel - Meals Committee	95.00	4,909.80
Balance on Hand 12|31|49		$10,588.07

P. H. Palmquist, Treasurer

February 14th, 1950

To the Missionary Committee,
Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

This is to certify that the books of your Treasurer have been audited by me this 14th day of February, 1950, and found correct.
Balance on hand as shown by Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Nebr., is ----------$10,598.07
One (1) outstanding check No. 207 -------- 10.00
Balance on hand as of December 31st, 1949 --$10,588.07

Respectfully submitted,
H. S. Camerl, Auditing Committee

Pastor Henry Dumler presented the Report of the Foreign Missions Committee.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

No missionary was assigned to the Nebraska Synod by the Board of Foreign Missions. THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY, monthly magazine of the Board of Foreign Missions, publishes articles, news items, and pictures concerning world missions.

Over 27 motion films and slide sets of still pictures on missions are available. The colored sound film of the Board of Foreign Missions, Fujita, Orphan in Japan, is available.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Dumler, Chairman

Dr. L. H. Lesher presented the report of Tabitha Home Trustees and presented Dr. M. Koolen, Acting Superintendent of Tabitha Home, who spoke on the work of Tabitha Home.

TABITHA HOME

Naturally this has been an outstanding year in the history of this institution for it was within this year, 1949, that the commodious new building for the aged was practically completed and we moved our aged guests, kitchen, dining room and offices from the old structure. We have entered, we believe, a new era in the history of the Insitution.

Naturally we expect larger figures pertaining to the welfare and service in our aged guests' department. In 1948 we served 88 guests. During 1949 we served 97 aged guests. These figures will grow considerably in the service rendered with the new and larger equipment in the year 1950. Of the 97 aged guests served 39 were men, 58 were women. At the beginning of the year there wer 60 guests living in the Home. Thirty-seven were received during the year; 18 were dismissed; 9 were taken by death. Of the total of 97 guests served, 69 were Lutheran; 28 were non-Lutheran. Thirty-two gave as their residence Lincoln; 65 from outside of Lincoln or Lancaster County. Of the total of 97: 25 were Old Age Assistant recipients. Seventy-two were either here on contract, or paying their own expenses, or earning part of their care and a few, purely charity During the year we received and have with us now one displaced person, a Latvian woman.

In our children's department, 48 children were served this year. At the beginning of the year there were 34 children. At the close

of the year there were 33 children. During the year 14 were dismissed. Twenty-two families were represented by the children served. Of the 12 dismissed during the year; 8 were returned to the home of a parent or relative; 3 of them returned to the state of their residence, i.e. Wyoming. One child was found to be epileptic and was placed where he would receive special care in a private home. Three of the children under our care are living in private homes and have lived there two years or more. One child under our care is a Latvian D. P.

Of the 48 children served, 44 were either Lutheran or baptised Lutheran shortly after entering Tabitha. Four were non-Lutheran Of the total served 36 were from outside of Lincoln or Lancaster County; 12 from Lincoln. The final papers for the adoption of one of our boys were filed during the year and the adoptive placement will soon be made of another one of our boys.

A great deal of service was rendered by our case worker to children who were not actually received into Tabitha Home. We have cooperated with our own Lutheran Child Care Agency and with private and civic agencies as well. Five children were referred to St. Thomas; 17 were referred to other state or private agencies. These children were out of the scope of service that is rendered by Tabitha Home either because of age limits or health conditions. Our case worker has regularly attended meetings of the local Family and Children's Group and the Family and Child Care Division of our Nebraska Lutheran Council.

At the present there is room for 5 girls in Bethel and 2 boys in Nazareth.

THE TABITHA FARM

One will note from the audit that the total income from livestock, poultry, milk and cream during the year 1949 was $6,152.28. This amount is reduced $2,490 by a decrease in inventory which was due to the fact that we completely sold our hog crop through the year. (Also, of course, the depreciation in machinery and buildings.) This leaves a gross profit of $3,662.28. This gross profit through the year was aproximately eaten up by expenses, according to the audit, but nevertheless, the farm, in December, turned over $2,000 to the building fund and likewise in January of this year another $2,000 was paid into the building fund. The bank statement at the end of this month shows a balance of $1,215.42.

Owing to the fact that the city of Lincoln will not permit other than Grade A milk to be sold, we have found it advisable to put in equipment meeting the requirements of the City Board of Health. This included a milk cooler, a hot water heater and certain changes in our milk room. The Home is paying for this equipment which will be a little over $500. Our tenant took care of the labor and the incidental material in connection with the changes of the barn which were necessary. The new tenant on the farm is Mr. Carl Ossenkop. He has a wife and two children.

OUR HELPERS

The help situation at Tabitha has improved. We believe that we are leaving a very fine corps of workers. Not that everything

has run perfectly smooth. Where you bring together personalities living and working as closely as they do at Tabitha there is bound to be friction from time to time. A number of new helpers have been engaged this year. We increased our staff because we realized the extra work that would be entailed in moving and becoming reorganized in the new building.

During this year Tabitha Home extended a call to Sister Elizabeth Huth to become the Matron and Hostess at Tabitha Home. The Baltimore Motherhouse. with whom Sister Elizabeth is associated, consented to the call and assigned her to serve at Tabitha Home. She came to the Home the first of August. We are most happy to have her in our midst.

FINANCES: GENERAL HELP

In analyzing our auditor's report one notes the fact that our income receipts for the year 1949 amounted to $54,810.84. This exceeded the 1948 receipts by $881.13. One will notice that the operating receipts for the year were $1,000 more in 1948 than they were in 1949. The Home is doing much more charitable work than formerly. We note the fact that voluntary contributions in 1949 exceeded those in 1948 by $2,230.20. The Community Chest is almost $1,000 more in 1949 than 1948. It is with some satisfaction that we note our total expenditures in 1949 were $158.04 less than in 1948. However, because of the expenditures exceeding the receipts this year and in 1948, $5,000 was drawn from the Emergency and Depreciation Fund and placed in the General Fund during the year. One other word in regard to the General Fund; we believe that many folks contribute to Tabitha Home regardless of what fund it is to go into. After the building is entirely paid for, we believe that many of these gifts will be available for the general fund or any other use so directed by the Board.

BUILDING FUND

Your Executive Director praises the Lord and realizes to Him should be all glory, but I cannot refrain from looking back over the last eight and one-half years and note the growth of the building fund. The new boiler house was being completed when I came in July, 1941 and after it was paid for there remained but about $7,000 actually in the building fund. The general fund owed to the building fund $12,000, but that amount was not available. Through these years as I have made these reports to you I have called your attention to the marvelous way in which the Church has responded to the need! For example, on January 1, 1948 there was $213,217.42. On January 1, 1949, there was $306,818.27 and on January 1, 1950, $392,832.56. We expect to receive in the near future from Bequests and other sources $48,760.72 for the Building Fund, and face an expenditure of $53,238.84 leaving a balance yet to be received of $4,477.40. If the Church would give us the $4,500.00 before summer, we would be able to complete the building free from debt. It is our hope and prayer that this can be done.

Surely we have all reasons to be grateful to God and the Church for the wonderful support we have received in this great enterprise. May God bless you for all you have done for Tabitha Home in the

past, and you continue to support us with your gifts and prayers.

Rev. L. H. Lesher, D. D.

O. L. Sturtevant

Pastor F. W. Henkel presented the report o the Social Missions Committee.

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSION COMMITTEE

The Board of social missions conducted a school of missions at Fremont, Nebraska from July 11 through July 13. Your committee attended this inspiring meeting.

Your chairman attended all meetings of the Resettlement Committee for displaced persons. Pastor Wise, National Lutheran Council representative in this area for displaced persons, has accomplished, with the help of God, a commendable piece of work. Through his prayers and efforts he has placed many displaced persons into American homes. National Lutheran Council has placed this area on the top of the list as caring for their quota of D. Ps.

Channeled through the Social Mission committee was the program from the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism. The National Lutheran Council of Churches in America is the only group conducting a nation wide Evangelism program. Every state, county and section is to be searched for lapsed members and prospects.

From January 31 through February 1 the commission on Evangelism conducted a seminar in Lincoln, Nebraska for all instructors in this area. From March 5 through March 10 area meetings were held for the purpose of training congregational committees on the why and how to conduct a campaign for new members and bring into the fold lapsed members. From these meetings inspired workers, 300,000 lay workers in the United States, are to fan out over the entire country carrying out the Lord's command "Go — into the highways and byways and compel them."

It was suggested that every worker offer daily prayer "Lord lay some soul upon my heart and love that soul through me, and may I humbly do my part to bring that soul to Thee." Evangelism, says the committee on Evangelism, is "seek — until you find him"

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. F. W. Henkel
Rev. J. C. Miller
Mr. Marius Christensen
Mr. Harold Wochmer

Mr. O. L. Sturtevant presented the report of the Synodical Brotherhood.

REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA SYNODICAL BROTHERHOOD

Dear Bretheren in Christ:

The past year has been a very successful one for the Brother-

hood with a convention in October at Lincoln which has been reported to have been one of our most enthusiastic conventions. Plans are under way at the present time for an even better convention in October of this year.

At our last Synodical meeting you passed a recommendation to give the State Brotherhood authority to purchase and develop a camp site, with permission to enter the Synodical congregations in Nebraska for the purpose of raising the necessary funds, the title of the camp site to remain in the hands of Synod who would appoint a joint governing Board to operate the camp.

Our committee has inspected several possible sites during the year but has discovered that suitable camp sites are scarce in Nebraska, and that it is not going to be easy to find something that is both suitable and within our ability to pay. For this reason our committee has asked for more time, and at the time this is written we are not in position to make a definite recommendation. We are still working on this project, as will be gathered from the report of our Camp Site Committee, distributed to all pastors early in February of this year, along with Convention Reports and the Brotherhood News Bulletin.

The Synodical Brotherhood has named a CHEY Director, and also a Director of Evangelism, during the year in order to assist in these two important projects wherever possible. Our Boy Scout Committee is also active and has been instrumental in effecting the organization of several new Boy Scout Troops.

Several Brotherhoods have been organized new or re-organized within the past year, never-the-less we can report but 18 active, State Affiliated Brotherhoods at the present time. Out of some 58 congregations this figure seems rather small. We need the help of the Pastors in organizing the men of their congregations. The Brotherhood is willing to do some promotional work, but we MUST have the co-operation of the Pastors in order to unite the laymen into working organizations.

We wish to express our thanks to the Executive Committee of Synod, particularly to your fine President, for his sincere help and co-operation. May God grant that we may have your continued help and support.

Respectfully submitted,
O. L. Sturtevant, president

Motion seconded and carried that we express appreciation to the Brotherhood for the work they have done in investigating the possibility of a Synod owned Camp and urge them to continue their study.

The Midland College Trustees Report was presented by Pastor A. H. Pinkall.

MIDLAND COLLEGE REPORT

To The Synod of Nebraska

In the providence of God, Midland College was permitted in Sep-

tember to begin its 63rd year of continuous service to our youth, to the church, and to society. We deem it a high privilege, as well as a great responsibility, to be used by the Lord to build the Kingdom of God into the lives of those young people who will be the leaders of our church and our nation.

I - Officers of the Corporation

The present officers of the corporate Board are: President, Dr. A. W. Young, Omaha, Nebr.; Vice President, Dr. Henry A. Gunderson, Fremont, Nebr.; Secretary, the Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, Lincoln. Nebr.; Treasurer, Mr. Bernard V. Beeson, Fremont, Nebr.

II - Officers of the College

The officers of the College are; President, Dr. W. P. Hieronymus; Acting Dean, Prof. C. K. Burkholder; Treasurer and Business Manager, Mr. Bernard V. Beeson.

III - Our Students

Many colleges and universities in our country have sustained a loss in enrollment as compared with last year. The enrollment in the U.L.C.A. colleges decreased on an average 11.2% The decrease at Midland was 40 students, or 8%. The chief cause of the decline is the decrease in G. I. students, which accounts for more than one half of the loss. Another cause is the smaller number of high school graduates resulting from a low birth rate 17 or 18 years ago. Another contributing factor in Nebraska is the new law granting the state teachers colleges (which charge only a nominal tuition rate) the right to grant liberal arts degree.

The total daytime students for the two semesters number 444, which with the 59 evening class students, gives us a total of 503. The men outnumber the women better than two to one. In addition, there were 329 enrolled in the Summer Session in 1949.

In a few categories, we may record an increase, as for instance in the number of Lutheran students. Our college is actually serving 23 more Lutheran students this year than last. The Lutheran percentage has increased from 58% to 63%. It is interesting to note that of the students who attend Midland from outside of Fremont 77% are of the Lutheran faith. We are also gratified over the splendid increase in the number of young men who have the ministry in view, 59 this year as compared with 45 in 1948. Several girls are preparing themselves for full-time church work.

This year our student body is most cosmopolitan in nature. Although Nebraska furnishes by far the largest number of students, they hail from 21 states and from Washington, D.C., from the Atlantic as well as from the Pacific Coast. There are 13 students from 7 foreign countries.

IV - Our Faculty and Staff

The quality of our faculty and staff remains high. We welcome the following new members to our staff: Carl F. Olson, Development Director; Mr. and Mrs. Tom V. Ritchie, piano and organ; Mr. James

B. Peterson, violin, orchestra and band; Miss Esther Swerdtfeger, commercial subjects; Mr. G. Hurst Paul, journalism and Director of Public Relations; the Rev. Gerald B. Strickler, Bible and philosophy, Miss Bernice Sommers, nurse; Mr. James S. Vail, voice; Mrs. Elizabeth Seaton, housemother, Beegle Hall; and Dr. P. W. H. Frederick and Dr. T. D. Rinde (both of the Seminary), part-time teachers of Greek.

V - Our Finances

Following is a summary statement of receipts and disbursements (for both Midland College and Central Theological Seminary) for the fiscal year, June 1, 1948 to May 31, 1949;

Income

Educational and General	$131,074.16	
Endowment Investments	9,227.87	
Gifts and Grants	92,474.11	
Sales and Services	3,263.84	
Other Income	7,289.50	
Auxiliary Enterprises	125,728.41	
Total Income		$369,057.89

Disbursements

Educational and General			
Administration	$ 63,122.64		
Instructional	126,815.62		
Plant Oper.' Maint.	40,462.79		
Library	8,795.85		
Services Rendered	2,825.45	$241,922.35	
Auxiliary Enterprises		137,419.94	
Other Non-Educational Expenses		8,414.79	
Total Disbursements			$387,757.08
Operating Loss			18,699.19

(This includes $1235 which constituted the last payment on the construction contract of Men's Memorial Hall.)

We regret exceedingly that it was necessary to close our books at the end of the last fiscal year with an operation loss of approximately $18,000. The fact that we have 40 students fewer this year than last will reduce our income from students' tuition and fees by about $14,000. It will be very difficult, if not impossible, to operate in the black this year.

The Board of Trustees and its Executive Committee are deeply concerned about the financial situation. A most serious effort is being made by the college administration to curtail all possible expenses. Yet there is a point beyond which we cannot go if we are to maintain a good, vigorous, educational institution. While the College deeply appreciates the excellent support from the Nebraska Synod, it will be necessary to increase this support if Midland is to thrive. Under the circumstances it is not feasible to increase the students' tuition and fees. The Executive Committee of The Board of Trustees is, therefore, respectfully recommending to the supporting Synods that they increase their annual apportionment to $1.35 per communing member.

VI — CHEY Objectives

At this writing (Feb. 13) there is in evidence a gratifying interest and zeal for the Chey appeal. It is an inspiring thought that the whole U.L.C.A. in one mighty effort is rising to the support of our colleges and seminaries.

As time passes certain needs of the college become more acute and others recede in urgency. This applies also to the Midland Chey objectives. Although the need for buildings is still present, particularly for a new Library-Administration building, the need for putting the college on a sound financial basis has become most urgent. There is also the recently discovered necessity of rebuilding our central heating plant. With the approval of the synods the following would be the approximate order of the Chey items: (1) Payment of accumulated operational deficit, (2) Reconditioning of the central heating plant, (3) New Library-Administration Building, (4) Remodeling of the old Administration Building. (The latter two projects would have to be taken care of together.)

IN CONCLUSION,-the morale of the faculty and students is high, Midland is effectively continuing its God-given task in educating the type of leaders which our church and our country need. An investment in Midland is most worthwhile. From the standpoint of the church such an investment brings the greatest dividends, for, while only 15% of our Lutheran young people attend our own church colleges, these institutions furnish our church with 85 to 90% of its pastors, missionaries, and other full-time leaders. This, in addition to the thousands of educated laymen in all walks of life who take places of leadership in our congregations and communities.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

We recommend to the Nebraska Synod that,

(1) Midland College be placed upon the Synodical apportionment for 1951 in the amount of $1.35 per communing member.

(2) That the College be permitted to use the Chey funds as indicated in this report.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Trustees
A. H. Pinkall

Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, President of Midland College, spoke of the progress and needs of Midland College.

The Recommendations were adopted.

Pastor George Krebs presented the report of Central Lutheran Seminary and Dr. E. B. Keisler spoke in the interest of the Seminary.

REPORT OF CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Nearly one year has now passed since Central Lutheran Seminary has been operating under its own power and authority.

Splendid cooperation has been given this institution by the Faculty, Synods, Congregations and Friends. For their Christian interest we express our hearty thanks.

The Board of Directors is very optimistic as they look into the future and consider the welfare of Central Seminary. Plans are being considered for definite improvements in practically every phase of Seminary advancement. The Board, at the last meeting, elected the Rev. Vance Baird of Atchison, Kansas as its President and re-elected all other officers.

Another successful Life Service Retreat was held during the Thanksgiving Season. A fine group of high school boys were inspired as they heard the forceful messages of the Rev. George Whittecar of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Professor Syre enlightened the group with his course in Bible study.

Your continued prayers for the guidance and stewardship of your Seminary is being asked of each of you.

Respectfully submitted,
George P. Krebs, Synodical Trustee

Dr. L. H. Steinhoff, Area Director for CHEY spoke to Synod about the progress the program was making in this area.

Rev. John Jacobs presented the report on Lutheran World Action.

REPORT ON LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

In 1949, 32 of our Nebraska Synod congregations gave their LWA quota 100% or over, with several exceeding their quota by nearly 1/3. These congregations and pastors are to be commended for their efforts and obedience to God's Word in a cause of the gravest concern to all Christian church people. How many lives and souls have been saved by the dollars and goods given through LWA only God Himself knows. We should all therefore be greatly concerned about those 21 congregations that failed to give, even the minimum quota which is their fair share — some failing by a very small margin — some giving little or nothing.

Brethren, let us not forget the tremendous need which still exists—need that will not be alleviated if LWA does not do it. In 1949 the ULCA failed its quota by more that $88,000 — Nebraska Synod congregations accounted for nearly 10% of that deficit, by falling short $8,666. How many souls will be lost to the Kingdom because of that deficit of dollars? This matter should weigh on our hearts and conscience heavily.

In 1950 let us redouble our efforts to put our Synod in the credit side. The quotas are figured on the basis of active membership, and has been reduced overall to the point where it would be nothing short of disgrace if we did not reach our 100% this year. Let us use all the materials—literature, movies, and facts—to present this great cause fully and constantly to our people, so that we need no longer hang our heads in shame before our Lord in this matter. Let us, to the LUTHERAN WORLD, show ACTION in this matter of still grave urgency. And may the Lord richly bless your efforts.

JOHN A. JACOBS, Director, LWA

Elections: Tellers reported elections as follows:

Executive Committee Members: Pastor A. H. Pinkall, 1950-1952. Dr. W. H. Traub, 1950-1951. Mr. H. G. Wellensiek, 1950-1952 and Mr. Lee Smith, 1950-1951.

Home Missions Committee: Dr. P. W. H. Frederick, 1950-1953, Dr. L. H. Lesher, 1950-1952 ,Pastor Fred Kern, 1950-1951, Mr. Paul Palmquist, 1950-1952 and Mr. Walter Kuening, 1950-1951.

The Report of Committee on Students in Non-Lutheran Schools was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher and Pastor Alvin Petersen, Pastor of Lutheran Students at Nebraska University, spoke of the great need of a Student Center Building.

STUDENTS IN NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

LINCOLN

Lutheran Student Service, 1950

Student Service has made splendid progress these past few years, not only here in Nebraska but throughout the nation. The one great factor making possible this progress has been the united efforts of the Lutheran Churches through the National Lutheran Council. Here in Lincoln the work of the Lutheran Student Foundation is evidence of this cooperation. Ministry to students on large campuses of our universities would be most inadequate without this splendid work of the Division of Student Service of the National Lutheran Council.

Progress in Student Service in Lincoln as a result of the cooperative effort of the Lutheran church groups is easily noted. These accomplishments have been made:

In the fall of 1945 an expanded program on the Ag Campus was begun, with the renting of a Student Center and parsonage.

In the fall of 1946 a fulltime Pastor to students was installed.

In June of 1947 the Lutheran Student Foundation was organized and incorporated.

In the fall of 1947 the Foundation rented the Lutheran Student House at the Main Campus.

In the fall of 1948 the Foundation added a graduate-assistant to the staff. Also in 1948 the lots for the new Student Center were purchased.

During 1949 the Foundation has strengthened its financial support from church bodies in Nebraska. These church groups have also pledged support to the Building Fund, some of them in the amount of $1.00 per confirmed member.

The next and logical step is to complete plans for the new Student Center at the Main Campus and to secure adequate funds to begin construction. Preliminary architectural drawings are now being made.

The accomplishments by the Foundation have made possible a more expansive and more effective ministry to the students in Lincoln. Bible teaching, personal contacts and counselling, a friendly and consultative relationship with the administration and departments at the University, guided service projects done by students and the increasing scope of our ministry among students are evidences of the worthwhileness of our program.

It is wisdom on the part of the church to provide a ministry to students on the campus. To the question, "Why a student ministry?", we can offer these valid reasons. 85% of the young people of our church who attend college are at tax supported schools. They are our young people, baptized and confirmed in our churches. They are our potential leaders of tomorrow in church, community and state. Then, too, the subtle enemies of secularism and materialistic philosophies must be met with the positive redeeming message of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The ministry to students follows the general pattern outlined by the Division of Student Service of the National Lutheran Council: Worship, Bible Study, counselling, discussion groups, service and fellowship. The week's schedule includes worship at local Lutheran churches, 6 Bible classes, 4 chapel services, a social or discussion meeting, daily coffee hours and the LSA meetings at City and Ag Campuses. A Graduate Club, and two Mr. and Mrs. Clubs meet monthly. A larger number of faculty members are being used in our Student program.

The Pastor to Lutheran Students has a graduate-assistant, Miss LaVonne Johnson, whose duties consist of secretarial and office work, contacting and counselling women students, and advisor to various phases of the LSA program.

The Lutheran Student Associations of City and Ag Campuses are sponsoring a DP program. One student is here now. Another and his family will arrive, we hope, in this next semester. In addition to these, the LSA gives some help to other ex-DP students on the campus.

Besides this important service, many students are conscious of the importance of putting into practice their Christian life, by work projects and deputation programs. A choir of forty voices is preparing for spring week-end concert tours. Many students worship in the local churches and some are active in Sunday School and Choir work.

There are 700 NLC students at the University Campuses and about 150 at other educational institutions. The percentage of service men is much smaller. Another year or two will see most of these graduated. There will be fewer married students then also.

The Lutheran Student Foundation expresses sincere gratitude to the Nebraska Synod of the ULC for its increased financial support to this important ministry to students in our capitol city.

For the Lutheran Student Foundation,

Pastor Alvin M. Petersen

WAYNE

The work at the State Teachers College is under the supervision of Pastor S. K. deFreese, who is the appointed leader by the Lutheran Service Commission, with Pastor Shiery assisting. There are over 200 Lutheran Students in attendance; meetings are held twice a month. A Spring banquet was held at St. Paul's with 100 attending. "Like A Mighty Army," was shown. Pastor Shiery and his congregation, offer facilities to the students and many of them make St. Paul's their church home while away from home.

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The work at the State Normal school grows in interest. During the summer term 12 Wednesday night meetings were held, and during the Fall and Winter term every Wednesday from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in an assigned room in the college Music building. The officers conduct the devotional, and Pastor Henkel presents the suggested Student Service Commission topic, "The Church and the Means of Grace." A Bible Study of 1 and 2 Timothy and James, prepared by George Hall, was presented second semester. There are 35 Lutheran students enrolled, and the average attendance at the meetings is 24.

Pastor Henkel has two ALC pastors assisting him in this work. He is available for counselling with the students. A social meeting is held once a month.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee

Leland H. Lesher

The morning session was closed with prayer by the Chaplain.

Wednesday Afternoon 1:45 P. M. April 19, 1950

Devotions were conducted by the Chaplain of Synod, Dr. J. B. Rupley, Sr.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented the following recommendations:

1. That the Lutheran Welfare Council be the first item on the afternoon program.
2. That invitations for the next meeting of Synod be considered as the second item of business.
3. That the Resolutions Committee Report be considered after the report of the Committee on Pensions and Relief.

The Recommendations were adopted.

Dr. L. H. Lesher presented the report of the Lutheran Welfare Council. Pastor G. B. Goldbeck spoke of the need of increased chaplaincy service in Nebraska institutions.

Invitations for the next meeting of Synod were extended by Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska; Trinity Lutheran Church, Dalton and Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Tekamah.

Synod decided by ballot to accept the invitation of Grace Lutheran Church. Lincoln.

The Reporter to "The Lutheran" presented his report.

REPORT OF THE REPORTER TO THE LUTHERAN

Your reporter is one of 58 men who has been on The Lutheran staff as correspondent from The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska during the year 1949. I fulfilled every assignment, exactly on time or ahead of time. It is a record of faithful service given voluntarily by a busy man.

A reason for ardent thanksgiving around The Lutheran office, according to Editor, Elson G. Ruff, is the steadily increasing circulation list. "By the end of December," he writes. "circulation was 72,300—and still rising rapidly. We will have losses due to non-renewals in the next two months, but should show a net gain during these months, probably leveling off around 75,000. That is far above any circulation ever before in ULC history."

We, correspondents are placed on a specific schedule. However, Editor Ruff, says he wants in addition any other news which seems to warrant a special report. Frequent reports of medium length are more useful than occasional long stories. In case of urgent news, I am to wire The Lutheran at night press rate collect in case something happens later than Thursday. A special delivery letter Thursday or earlier should reach the office of The Lutheran before press time. Owing to the mechanical problem of printing 50 per cent more copies of The Lutheran than formerly, they are locking up a 32-page form every Thursday afternoon. That will include part of the "News in the Churches" section. The remaining 16 pages go on press Monday morning, but of course must be practically closed up by the preceding Friday afternoon. The Lutheran is now being electroplated, and printed both from plates and from type simultaneously to double the speed of the press run.

It is especially urgent that Editor Ruff gets pictures no later than Monday morning, and better still on the preceding Thursday. When I have photos which go with a story due in there on Tuesday, I am to send them three days ahead of the story if possible; it takes them at least three days to get a copper engraving made, unless they pay a premium price.

My 1950 schedule is as follows, these dates indicating when my report is due at the office of The Lutheran: May 2, June 27, August 29 and November 7. Put me on your mailing list to receive your weekly bulletins or parish papers. your annual congregational reports, etc.

Sincerely submitted,
Paul Wiegman
Reporter to The Lutheran

The report of the Committee for "The Nebraska Synod Lutheran" was presented by President T. J. C. Schuldt.

COMMITTEE FOR THE NEBRASKA SYNOD LUTHERAN

During the past year three issues of the Nebraska Synod Lu-

theran were published, July and November, 1949, and March, 1950.

Your committee is of the opinion that it would be desirable to publish four isues during the next Synodical year and shall plan accordingly unless otherwise instructed.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore J. C. Schuldt
F. W. Henkel
J. B. Rupley Jr.
J. H. M. Shiery

The report of the Committee on Pensions and Relief was presented by Pastor Karl Gigstad.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL PENSIONS AND RELIEF

Contributory Pension Plan:

The Board of Pensions and Relief has issued 2,508 certificates of membership under the Contributory Pension Plan as of February 13, 1950. Under this Plan it has 53 age pensioners, 7 disability pensioners, 24 widow pensioners, and 4 minor pensioners. It has paid a lump sum in lieu of pension to 10 Pastors who retired prior to November 1, 1947. It has paid 23 widows a lump sum payment in lieu of pension since the accumulation standing to their husbands account was too small to warrant an annual pension. It has nine members who have withdrawn since their entry into the Plan because of ineligibility for continued membership. Four of its members have transferred to the American Lutheran Church.

From the Nebraska Synod, there are 45 active members under the Contributory Pension Plan, 2 inactive members. There are no age pensioners or widow pensioners.

Non-Contributory Pension Plan or "Basic" Plan:

Over the entire Church, there are 368 age pensioners, 47 disability pensioners, 671 widows. 12 missionaries and 116 children. From the Nebraska Synod there are 3 age pensioners, 1 age pensioner with 2 children and 12 widows, a total of 18 pensioners.

Respectfully submitted,
Karl Gigstad, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Dr. John C. Hershey.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

BE IT RESOLVED—

1. THAT the Synod express its gratitude to God for the dedicated and faithful service given the Church by Dr. C. B. Harman and Dr. P. W. H. Frederick during the previous half century.

2. THAT the Synod declare its appreciation to the ULCA and Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz for his graphic picture of the Church at

work, and for his astute suggestions pertaining to the affairs of Synod.

3. THAT the officers of Synod be commended for their capable and consecrated leadership during the year just closed.

4. THAT the chaplain for the Synod and the men's choir be thanked for the inspirational manner in which the devotional periods were conducted.

5. THAT the Synod extend a rising vote of thanks to the local congregation—her Pastor, her choir, her women, and her people —for being so gracious a host.

6. THAT Grace Lutheran Church of West Point be allowed $10.00 for the sexton's services.

7. THAT "the Executive Committee of Synod appoint a 'news committee' or 'clearing house' for church news to be submitted to the State papers. This committee could then work with the National Lutheran Council's proposed committee that will handle Lutheran news items." (Resolution submitted by the South Platte Conference.)

8. THAT whereas the 1950 Convention of the ULCA meets in nearby Des Monies: be it resolved that Synod encourage the attendance of her Pastors by paying from the Synodical treasury: 1) travel expense at clergy fare rates to and from Des Moines by rail ;2) hotel room at the rate of $3.50 per day for four days; and, that the Synod request the local congregation to pay hotel expense at the same rate for the four additional days, plus the personal expenses of their Pastor.

9. THAT we as Pastors and laymen rededicate ourselves to the task confronting the whole Church especially as it presents itself in CHEY, LWA and the benevolent cause of the Church.

10. THAT The Synod pause for the chaplain to lead in praise and thanksgiving to God for blessings bestowed upon the Synod here met in session, and upon her constituent congregations during the year just past.

Respectfully submitted,
J. ERNEST MESSER
J. C. HERSHEY
R. E. RANGELER
LOUIS C. THOMAS
JOY WILSEY

Recommendations one to seven were adopted.

Recommendation number eight was rejected.

The following Resolution was adopted by Synod: That Synod strongly urge each congregation to cooperate, by a special grant of fund, to make possible the attendance of its pastor or pastors at the 1950 Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, and that the Executive Committee of Synod notify each congregation of this action.

The Report of the Committee on Parish Life and Work was presented by the following members:

Pastor Paul C. Wiegman, Chairman
Pastor Henry Goede on Church Schools
Pastor Kendig Rupley on Life Service
Pastor E. Switzer on Leadership Educations
Pastor R. R. Pfeiffer on Midland Assembly.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PARISH LIFE AND WORK COMMITTEE

By-laws of The Constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska specify the duties of the Committee on Parish Life and Work as:

1. To be a two-way channel of communication between the congregations and the Parish and Church School Board.

2. To co-operate with the local churches in making the observance of Parish Education Month more vital and to assist them in striving to attain some specific goal each year.

3. To encourage and promote the organization of Leadership Training classes and schools throughout the Nebraska Synod territory.

4. To co-operate with the Midland Assembly in stimulating a larger attendance of workers at this Assembly for the purpose of receiving training in various phases of leadership education.

5. To assist in the formation and promotion of Lutheran Church School Associations.

6. To co-operate with any agency of parish education in the local church whereby leaders for all phases of parish education may be discovered.

7. To ascertain the status of parish education in the congregation by periodical surveys so as to determine strengths and weaknesses and to help local congregations solve their parish education problems.

The best part of the old year's review is not what the General Chairman has to say but is to be found in the reports the members of the committee attached thereto. Read these reports for a picture of the whole work of he Committee, work made possible by your consideration and co-operation, the Committee's willingness to serve with a keen sense of responsibility, and our prayers and God's grace.

The success of Christian education for all ages depends largely upon a hearty co-operation between the home and the church. It is a mistake to assume that the church alone can perform the entire task and achieve the desired results.

In 1950 the emphasis on the Parish and Church School Board's program will be upon "Home and Church Working Together in Christian Education." Such an emphasis is greatly needed, and it deserves a hearty response from pastors, teachers, other leaders, parents, and all others who are interested in Christian education.

Plans for "Home and Church Year" are well advanced. Early in January the Rev. Earl S. Rudisill, the Board's secretary for adult work, met with your Committee in order to present the whole plan for field work in 1950, made arrangements for the committee's participation, and worked the details as they pertain to our synod. The Rev. Henry J. Goede was named chairman for this emphasizing church-home co-operation in Christian education in our synod. We commend his efforts and urge your continued co-operation.

It is not only inspiring but a pleasure to work on a committee, and in a synod where there is such a fine spirit of co-operation between the pastors and laymen.

In all sincerity,
Paul Wiegman, General Chairman

REPORT OF THE MEN OF THE CHURCH

The President of our State Brotherhood is to be commended on the organization of new Brotherhoods and also the reorganization of a number during the past year. It is evident that the Executive Committee of The Brotherhood is diligently seeking to broaden the work of the Brotherhood in the State so as to include all of the men of the church.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. Pinhall

REPORT OF LUTHER LEAGUE

The Annual Convention of the Luther League of the Nebraska Synod was held at Camp Sheldon, Columbus, Nebraska, August 20-25, 1949. The following officers were elected: President, Marialice Eckley, Tekamah; Vice-President, Cecil Faller, Falls City; Recording Secretary, Elaine Engdale, 2311 Happy Hollow Blvd., Omaha 3; Treasurer, Marlene Rodgers, Hooper. The camp, under the direction of Rev. Paul deFreese, was an inspiration to all.

The convention made the following recommendations:

1. That the League adopt the "Pay in Advance Plan." This means that each year the leagues pay up all apportionment, and projects at the beginning of the year, and then during the rest of the year build up their treasuries during the next year.
2. That the league adopt as a Missionary project of the Luther League of America for the next two years, helping to build a church in Hawaii, to the amount of $25,000.
3. That an offering be received at this 1949 convention immediately for the Hawaiian missionary project.

The Executive Committee of the Luther League of Nebraska met on the camp grounds August 24, 1949. The committee approved the President's appointment of the following standing committee chairman: Educational Chairman, Luke Heckman, 2178 N. "C." St., Fremont; Life Service Chairman, Rev. Kendig Rupley, Hampton; Missionary Chairman, Shirley Hamilton, 1314 West 6th, North Platte; Stewardship Chairman, Cecil Faller, Falls City; Extension Chairman, Rev. W. F. Most, 5211 Seward, Omaha; Intermediate Chairman, Max Schacknies, 1651 Victor Ave., Omaha; Publicity Chairman, Barbara Nestander, 5020 Western Ave., Omaha.

Motion prevailed to ask the Midland Assembly Board for permission to hold a Luther League convention in connection with the Assembly for two days.

Motion prevailed to recommend to Synod that a camp be held in 1950 in two sessions one for the Intermediate age group and another for older age group, and that the Midwest Synod League be invited to camp with us.

Motion prevailed that the above camp be held at Camp Sheldon the first year.

All of the districts held fall rallies. The largest being the East Central District which met at Hooper with approximately 200 Young People, pastors and sponsors present. I am sorry to report that I was unable to attend any of these rallies.

The executive committee held their second meeting October 2, 1949 at Midland College, Fremont.

Pastor Paul Wiegman, Adult Advisor, reported that he addressed the Southern District at a Rally at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Falls City, on October 16th.

Pastor Most reported that he attended the Western Conference and talked to them about promotion of League work, and also addressed the Intermediate League at Our Redeemer Church, Omaha. He will attend the Southern Conference and the Executive Committee meeting at Philadelphia early in November.

Rev deFreese reported that the Executive Committee of Synod are of the opinion that just one camp period should be held and that we should continue to have our convention during the Camp session. Suggestions were made that perhaps we can spread it over several days for shorter periods each day or hold it on the first day of Camp. It is also thought that an age limit for Leaguers attending Camp should be set. These things will be brought before the Executive Committee of Synod.

President Marialice Eckley reported that the offering of $27.13 received at Camp Convention was sent to National Headquarters for the Missionary Project.

Motion was made and carried that we purchase a pew for Men's Memorial Hall and that it be dedicated to the former State

President, the late Herbert Fischer.

The Executive Committee held their third meeting January 29, 1950 at Midland College, Fremont.

Motion prevailed that we adopt Rev. Wiegman's resolution stated in his Adult Advisor's report as foHows:

I recommend that at this session of the Executive Committee we formulate a word of appreciation to Pastor deFreese for his willingness to serve and his keen sense of responsibility for the welfare of our youth work in the Luther League of Nebraska.

Motion prevailed that we send a copy of the Minutes of this Executive meeting to Rev. deFreese.

A report on formulated plans for camp was made by Dr. Young and discussed by group. These plans were made by the Synodical Committee, consisting of President Schuldt, Dr. Young, Rev. Wiegman, and Rev. Most. This report will be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee of Synod for approval. The dates for camp will be August 13 to 18, 1950.

The Executive Committee requested the Camp Director ask headquarters for Joseph Frease (first choice) or George Billman (second choice) as our Ntional representative at Camp.

On the records I find we have 44 active leagues, 5 Young People's, 29 Senior, and 10 Intermediate Leagues. This is a great increase from last year and I am glad to be able to report this program. I hope that an increase will be shown also in next year's records.

Pastor Wiegman also helped with the editing and printing of the President's Bulletin, which was sent to approximately 90 leagues and pastors throughout the state every two months.

The Treasurer has reported a balance of $113.70 as of January, 1950.

Respectfully submitted,
MARIALICE ECKLEY,
President Nebr. Luther League.

REPORT OF THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH
1949

Several new groups of children of the church have been organized during the past year and several were re-organized.

Quarterly Treasurer's Report Blanks were sent to Children of the Church leaders, and quarterly promotional letters were mailed out to Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, and leaders of other Church organizations as recommended by the General Office (national) to help create interest in the children of The Church Program of the U.L.C.A.

Miss Mary Marx represented the Synodical Children of The Church Committee at the Parish Life and Work Committee meeting held in Omaha in January.

A number of helpful conferences were made possible as Congregational Children's leaders visited and observed our Junior Assembly held in conjunction with Midland Assembly at Fremont, Nebraska.

Through the Annual Report of the Synodical Children of the Church treasurer, Miss Ella Braun, shows a decided decrease in offerings—Total $102.00 there has been a decided increase in interest of congregational children's leaders—to worship and study with our Children; for which we are grateful to God.

The Committee recommends:

That congregational Children of The Church leaders visit and observe Junior Assembly and hold a conference in connection with Junior Assembly to discuss the work of the Children of the Church Program.

Respectfully submitted,

AMANDA JORN.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH SCHOOLS 1949

The year was designated by the Parish and Church School Board as Leadership Education Year. Along these lines our Synodical Committee set up an itinerary for Pastor Wm. Avery, covering the State in a series of Sunday School Worker's Rallies from November 1 to November 15.

The Parish and Church School Board reports for the Synod of Nebraska an enrollment increase as a result of the 1948 Demonstrations for Enlistment of 526 or a gain of 5.5% for the Synod. Thirty of the thirty-two Synods reported an increase over the preceding year.

The 1950 program of the Board for the field representative calls for a series of area meetings in which the topic—"Church and Home Teaching" will be emphasized. Our Committee, however, recommended a major adjustment which was approved by the Board to the extent that these area meetings be limited to one afternoon or evening for the pastors or lay leaders who will in turn present the program later in their respective parishes. The itinerary is set up for combined Midwest and Nebraska Synods October 11-25th.

Your Chairman, sensing a need for a more uniform system of instruction in the various teaching agencies of the parish sent out a questionnaire in 1949, results of which are summarized as follows:

Are you satisfied with your present educational program in your Congregation? No - 12, Yes - 8.

Material used—U L C A—17, Miscellanecus—5.

Hymn Books—U L C A—15, Hope Publ.—6, Misc. 2.

Pastors teaching—No class—9, Seniors—1, Adult (mixed)—2, Young married—2, Substitute—2, Men—1, Young People (mixed)—4, High School—1.

Time alloted for total opening and closing service—25 min.—4 20 Min.—9, 15 min.—6, 30 min.—3, 40 min.—1.

Teaching time—50 min.—2, 40 min.—6, 35 min.—3, 30 min.—7, 25 min.—5.

Teachers Training Classes—N—10, Yes—11.
Participating in District Conferences or Associations, No—14, Yes—7. Interested—9. Not Interested—1.

Departmental Worship Services, Yes—19, No—4.

Men on Staff, 143, Women, 313. (total from 24 reports).

Attendance award systems, Yearly—10, monthly—1, quarterly—1, by Sundays—1. Twelve out of sixteen consider it beneficial.

Mission Study class, No—21, Yes—1.

Mission Sunday observance, Yes—13, No—9.

Mission or benevolence offering, Yes—18, No—5.

Envelope Systems, Duplex—6, Single—3. Six report the system beneficial.

Thirteen report no teacher problem, nine report it as a problem.

Sunday School library, No—14, Yes—9.

Visual Aids, No—7, Yes—17.

Week Day Schools—
Vacation Bible School. Yes—22, No—1.
Material used. Christian Growth—3, Scripture Press—1, A.L.C.—1, Chidlren of the Church Series—4, Concordia—1, Wartburg—1.

Age of Confirmation, Mostly 13, but ranging from 12 to 14.

Hours of instruction, 165 hours—1, 150—2, 130—1, 125—1, 120—1, 65—1, 60—3, 72—1, 50—2, 44—1, 40—1,36—1, 35—1, 30—1, 28—1, 26—2.

Catechism used, Stump—15, Gen. Synod—2, Tanner—4, March of Faith—1, Forward with Christ—1, One reported using "Luther's."

Satisfied with Catechism used?, No—7, Yes—13, Partly—3.

Two-year course preferred? Yes—12, No—5, Already in use—6.

Pre-Confirmation course in S. S., Yes—6, No—14.

Non-Lutheran members received—By Confirmation—10. By Instruction—9. Renewal of vows—1.

Hours of instruction for adults (for membership), 30 hours—1, 20—1, 15—4, 12—7, 10—1, 9—2. 7—1, 6—2, 4—2.

Material used, Catechism—14, What Every C. M. should know—4, Variety—2. Criticism on S. S. material, Class material too difficult; not Bible centered; Hymnbooks not adequate; Service poor, (seven complaints); too costly.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. GOEDE.

REPORT OF LEADERSHIP EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

This division of the Parish Life and Work Committee co-operated whole-heartedly with the Parish and Church School Board in leadership improvement in the year 1949. Sunday School Workers' Rallies were held from November 1-15 in eleven different areas of Synod, with the Rev. Wm. S. Avery, Staff Member of the Board, of Philadelphia, in charge. President T. J. C. Schuldt, Dr. W. P Hieronymus, Dr. E. B. Keisler, and Dr. T. D. Rinde were the speakers furnished by the Synod to lead the one-hour discussion period on 'Improving Our Teaching." A total of 45 congregations (including 7 Midwest and 1 Augustana) and 38 pastors in these Rallies. The total attendance was 496. Pastor Avery also spoke to the Luther League Rallies in the Northeast and Western districts with five pastors and about 100 leaguers present at each rally.

Inter-Lutheran Leadership Training Schools were held at Fremont, Omaha, and South Sioux City in 1949.

Pastors J. Ernest Messer and Ernest W. Switzer attended the Midwest Regional Conference of Synodical Leaders of Parish Education at Chicago, June 14-16, representing the Nebraska Synod. Pastor Fred W. Kern, a member of the Board, also attended. They gave detailed reports of the Conference to the Parish Life and Work Committee at its meeting on October 10 in Fremont. The theme of the Conference was "It's Worth Our Best." From the list of suggestions of "What Our Synodical Committees Can Do." I would like to recommend the following:

1. Extend the catechetical program.
2. Develop church-home relationships.
3. Introduce and develop use of audio-visual aids.
4. Promote leadership education classes.
5. Develop use of Christian family life.

Pastor Messer participated in a very interesting panel discussion on "Preparing Youth for Marriage." One full day was given to an Audio-Visual-Aids Workshop.

The Conference in 1950 will meet at Chicago the week of June 18. Suggested subjects for the 1950 workshop are: catechetics, vacation church school, week-day program. It was suggested that the Home department be put on the program. Theme for 1950:

"Forward in Parish Education! Come! Learn! Serve with us!"

Respectfully submitted,
ERNEST W. SWITZER, Chairman.

REPORT OF MIDLAND ASSEMBLY

The Twenty-seventh Annual Midland Summer Assembly for Church Workers was held August 7-12, 1949 on the College Campus in Fremont, Nebraska. It was held in conjunction with the Sixty-ninth Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society.

Chapel devotions were conducted each morning by The Rev. G. R. Whittecar, pastor of First Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma. His theme for the week was: "What it means to be a Christian" through "Faith, Growth, Liberty, Opportunity and Vision."

Credit courses were offered and conducted: "Abiding Values of Genesis," by Pastor J. E. Messer; "Our Christian Beliefs," by Dr. S. White Rhyne of the Parish and Church School Board; "The Life of Christ in the Gospel of John," by Pastor Henry Monnich.

President of the Pacific Synod, Pastor L. H. Steinhoff, was in charge of the Pastor's Hour. He discussed "Evolution or Revolution," under the daily headings of: "Stations and Stopping Points," "Blue Prints for Building," "Tempests and Tea-pots," "Facts, Figures and Fables," and "Odds and Ends, Mostly Ends." These topics were discussed in the field of Practical Theology.

Inspirational addresses were delivered by Pastor Atsumi Tasaka of Japan. Pastor L. H. Steinhoff, Dr. S. White Rhyne, Roland Payne —Liberian student at Midland College, and Mrs. H. S. Bechtold— Vice President of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church.

A Service Institute for youth was in charge of Pastor G. P. Krebs. The youth discussed their life work choices.

Miss Amanda Jorn, assisted by Miss Mary Marx, was in charge of the Junior Assembly of Children of the Church. Miss Dora Finley offered a course in music for Intermediates and gave a demonstration at an inspirational hour of the Assembly.

Central Lutheran Seminary and Midland College entertained the Assembly at the Annual Picnic Supper on the Seminary Campus. The institutions presented the service which they rendered to the Church and their appeal for support in full for CHEY.

Pastors W. F. Most and P. Wiegman conducted the hymn sings. Pastor Wiegman was the Pep-injector at meal times.

Assembly Board members elected were: President, Pastor R. R. Pfeiffer of Scribner; Vice President, J. E. Messer of South Sioux City; Secretary, Miss Alta Schafersman of Fremont; Treasurer, Miss Ruth Bernhart of West Point. New Board members elected

were: Pastor Harvey Clark of Omaha, and Miss Ruth Bernhart of West Point.

Respectully submitted,
RAYMOND R. PFEIFFER, President.

Mrs. George Krebs, President of the Synodical Missionary Society brought greetings to Synod.

The Recommendation in the Report of Children of the Church was ordered referred to the Midland Assembly Board.

Elections:

Tellers reported the following elections:

Foreign Missions Committee: Pastors Henry Dumler, John Jacobs, Paul C. Wiegman, Mr. A. T. Yost, and O. L. Sturtevant.

Social Missions Committee: Pastors Fred Henkel, J. C. Miller, John H. M. Shiery, Mr. Harold Wochner and Mr. Marius Christensen.

Trustee for Tabitha Home: Mr. O. L. Sturtevant, 1950-1953.

The Committee on Promoting Subscriptions to "The Lutheran" presented its report and offered the following recommendation:

That the Nebraska Synod join the other Synods in the U.L.C.A., now striving to place "The Lutheran" in every home, and that the period, September, October, and November be designated as the time for use of the Synodical Plan, and that during this designated period the subscription price for the Lutheran be reduced to $1.75 a year.

Recommendation Adopted.

The Budget for 1951 was presented by the Executive Committee. The budget was revised by vote of Synod to be as follows:

BUDGET FOR 1951

Part 1.

Salaries	$ 5,150.00
(President $4600.00, Secretary $200.00, Treasurer $200.00, Statistician $150.00.)	
Midland College $1.35 per Communing Member	20,324.00
Central Seminary $.35 per Communing Member	5,269.00
President's Travel Expense	1,000.00
Office Rent	600.00
Home Mission Committee	6,000.00
Beneficiary Education	500.00
Synodical Paper	750.00
General Expense Fund	600.00
Printing	400.00
Student Work	800.00
Young People's Camp	75.00
Auditor's Fee	35.00
Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Committee on Parish Life and Work	300.00
Promotion of Youth Work	300.00
Lutheran Social Service (underwrite)	1,000.00
	$43,113.00

Part 2, The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$82,483.00	
Tabitha Home	9,165.00	
Total Part 2	$91,648.00	
		$91,648.00
Total Budget		$134,761.00

Per Communing Member $8.96.

Motion carried to adopt Budget as revised.

APPORTIONMENT FOR 1951

Allen	$ 1,209.00	Omaha, First	2,481.00
Auburn	3,440.00	Omaha, Grace	2,302
Beatrice	976.00	Omaha, K. M.	19,183.00
Benedict	887.00	Omaha, L. M.	1,980.00
Bellevue	456.00	Omaha, Redeemer	5,985.00
Broadwater	949.00	Omaha, St. Lukes	5,886.00
Columbus	1,057.00	Oshkosh	672.00
Dak. City, Em.	80.00	Paxton	1,729.00
Dak. City, Salem	1,451.00	Ponca	2,016.00
Dalton	1,012.00	Potter	573.00
Davenport	2,060.00	Rising City	1,128.00
Eagle	376.00	Scribner	1,361.00
Emerson	1,290.00	Sidney	2,419.00
Falls City	4,220.00	Snyder	376.00
Fremont	8,673.00	So. Sioux City	3,584.00
Grand Island	12,051.00	Spencer	1,120.00
Gurley	1,182.00	Stamford	1,066.00
Hampton	591.00	Stella	161.00
Hardy	555.00	Sutherland	143.00
Homer	1,102.00	Tekamah	1,523.00
Hooper	2,849.00	Vacoma	421.00
Hubbard	421.00	Verdon	940.00
Leigh	1,738.00	Walton	313.00
Lewellen	537.00	Wayne	3,136.00
Lincoln	6,406.00	West Point	4,488.00
McCool Jct.	109.00	Wilber	913.00
Nebr. City	1,657.00	Wolbach	1,227.00
No. Platte	8,583.00	York	985.00

The Report of the Executive Committee was adopted as a whole.

Bonding of Congregational Treasurers. Moved, seconded, and carried that the Executive Committee put into effect a blanket bond, covering treasurers of congregations, as recommended by the Executive Committee of the U.L.C.A.

COMMITTEE ON THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The annual report of our president shows evidence of a busy and fruitful year. We thank God for his fine spirit and his good example and influence among us. Under his capable and consecrated leadership our churches have felt encouragement to greater efforts in the manifold tasks of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST C. MORTENSEN
HENRY DUMLER
HAROLD WOCHNER.

BY-LAWS: Moved, seconded and carried that the By-Laws as printed in the convention program be used as working rules until the next convention of Synod.

President Schuldt gave notice of an amendment, pertaining to Church Property, to be considered at the next convention of Synod.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE X

7. Should a congregation disband, or cease to function for a period of two years, the title to all property, real, personal, and mixed, shall vest in the Nebraska Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America, its successors or assigns.

8. And it is further provided that any congregation or pastorate having become a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, upon its own voluntary application, may not withdraw its membership from Synod without written notification of such intention to all members of said congregation and a two-thirds vote for withdrawal at a legally called congregational meeting, and thereafter the submission of such purpose to Synod at a regular annual convention of Synod, or at a special legally called meeting of Synod for the consideration of such action. A majority vote of the congregations of Synod, voting as a congregation, or a pastorate, shall be sufficient to ratify or disapprove any action of any congregation or pastorate proposing to withdraw from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska. Failure to secure such Synodical ratification of the congregation's or pastorate's action, with reference to membership in Synod, the whole subject shall be taken up anew and proceed with as originally required after an interval of one year. Then should the result remain as before, upon payment of the congregation's or pastorate's full portion of the biennial appropriation of Synod as laid upon Synod by The United Lutheran Church in America and by Synod itself, a letter of withdrawl shall be granted.

The Excuse Committee presented its report which was adopted.

INSTALLATION: President Schuldt installed the newly elected officers of Synod.

Synod was adjourned with The Order for the Formal Closing of Synod.

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MEMBERSHIP

CHILD MEMBERS

Accessions

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	By Otherwise	Total
1	Allen	281	202	135	6	3	9
2	Auburn	717	493	384	22	4	37
3	Beatrice	167	130	109	4		4
4	Bellevue	122	65	51	4		4
5	Benedict	191	142	99	9		9
6	Broadwater	248	170	106	12		12
7	Columbus	202	146	118	6	2	8
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel	23	20	9	1		1
9	Dakota City-Salem	428	274	162	17	3	20
10	Dalton	212	150	113	11	4	15
11	Davenport	592	297	230	15	3	18
12	Eagle	79	72	42	2	10	12
13	Emerson	628	249	144	39	3	42
14	Falls City	915	605	471	14	6	20
15	Fremont	1583	1091	968	62	23	85
16	Grand Island	3032	1959	1345	71	6	77
17	Gurley	215	154	132	6	2	8
18	Hampton	117	72	66	4		4
19	Hardy	206	135	62	4		4
20	Homer	426	346	123	24		24
21	Hooper	528	378	318	27	12	39
22	Hubbard	229	189	47			
23	Leigh	394	267	194	12	2	14
24	Lewellan	242	121	60	5		5
25	Lincoln	1204	994	715	40	10	50
26	McCool Junction	239	158	105	4		4
27	Nebraska City	434	345	185	11	9	20
28	North Platte	1555	1214	958	63	23	86
29	Omaha-First	684	464	277	31	10	42
30	Omaha-Grace	344	259	259	16		16
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	6533	4773	2141	180	80	260
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	340	252	221	6	6	12
33	Omaha-Redeemer	1410	855	668	31	72	103
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	1404	962	657	83	17	100
35	Oshkosh	217	151	75	5		5
36	Paxton	375	222	193	16		16
37	Ponca	436	311	225	12		12
38	Potter	126	80	64			
39	Rising City	312	210	126	4		4
40	Scribner	329	243	152	14		14
41	Sidney	684	364	270	27	9	36
42	Snyder	73	61	41	2		2
43	So. Sioux City	973	590	400	44	8	52
44	Spencer	224	148	125	17	2	19
45	Stamford	203	159	119	6		6
46	Stella	58	34	18	1		1
47	Sutherland	91	37	16	1		1
48	Tekamah	334	207	170	8	9	17
49	Vacoma	101	67	47	1		1
50	Verdon	265	207	105	5		5
51	Walton	103	78	35	2		2
52	Wayne	592	448	350	12	9	21
53	West Point	972	664	501	35	7	42
54	Wilber	368	190	102	5		5
55	Wolbach	298	153	137	36		36
56	York	353	216	110	5		5
1949		33511	22894	15055	1112	354	1466
1948		32879	22599	14673	1050	320	1370
Inc.		632	295	382	62	34	96
Dec.							

Losses

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Trans. by Confirmation	By Death	By Certificate	By Otherwise	Total
1	Allen				1	1
2	Auburn	7		2	128	137
3	Beatrice				6	6
4	Bellevue	8				8
5	Benedict	4			60	64
6	Broadwater	2		1		3
7	Columbus		1			1
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel					
9	Dakota City-Salem		1			1
10	Dalton			1		4
11	Davenport	7	1			8
12	Eagle					
13	Emerson					6
14	Falls City	19		4		23
15	Fremont	11	3	4	2	20
16	Grand Island	37	2	7		46
17	Gurley	11			1	12
18	Hampton					
19	Hardy	1				1
20	Homer			1		1
21	Hooper	6	1	9	3	19
22	Hubbard					
23	Leigh	4				4
24	Lewellan	3				3
25	Lincoln	16		10		26
26	McCool Junction					
27	Nebraska City	3		2	50	55
28	North Platte	20		4		24
29	Omaha-First	50	2	6	18	76
30	Omaha-Grace	5	1			6
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	97	15	110	40	262
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	5		5	27	37
33	Omaha-Redeemer	15			8	23
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	19	1	8	36	64
35	Oshkosh					
36	Paxton	9	6			15
37	Ponca			4		4
38	Potter					
39	Rising City			5		5
40	Scribner					
41	Sidney	5	2	4		11
42	Snyder					
43	So. Sioux City	11	1	2		14
44	Spencer					
45	Stamford					
46	Stella					
47	Sutherland					
48	Tekamah	9		6		15
49	Vacoma	2		4		6
50	Verdon	4		2	4	10
51	Walton		3		11	14
52	Wayne	4				6
53	West Point	14		3		17
54	Wilber	5				5
55	Wolbach				53	53
56	York					
1949		437	40	204	4481	129
1948		365	31	210	304	910
Inc.		72	9		144	219
Dec.				6		

ADULT MEMBERS

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Gain or Loss: Net Loss
1	Allen		5
2	Auburn		160
3	Beatrice		2
4	Bellevue		4
5	Benedict		55
6	Broadwater		
7	Columbus		
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel		
9	Dakota City-Salem		
10	Dalton		
11	Davenport		
12	Eagle		
13	Emerson		
14	Falls City		3
15	Fremont	65	
16	Grand Island		17
17	Gurley		4
18	Hampton	4	
19	Hardy		
20	Homer	23	
21	Hooper		1
22	Hubbard		
23	Leigh		3
24	Lewellan		
25	Lincoln		12
26	McCool Junction	4	
27	Nebraska City		35
28	North Platte	62	
29	Omaha-First		34
30	Omaha-Grace	10	
31	Omaha-K. Memorial		2
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	25	
33	Omaha-Redeemer	80	
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	36	
35	Oshkosh		
36	Paxton	1	
37	Ponca	4	
38	Potter		
39	Rising City		1
40	Scribner	14	
41	Sidney	25	
42	Snyder	2	
43	So. Sioux City	38	
44	Spencer	19	
45	Stamford	6	
46	Stella	1	
47	Sutherland	1	
48	Tekamah	2	
49	Vacoma		5
50	Verdon		5
51	Walton	12	
52	Wayne	15	
53	West Point	25	
54	Wilber		10
55	Wolbach	17	
56	York		5
1949		646	309
1948		574	114
Inc.		72	
Dec.			195

Accessions

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	By Baptism	By Confirmation	By Certificate	By Restoration	Total
1	Allen	3	13	1		17
2	Auburn	3	19	3		25
3	Beatrice			5		5
4	Bellevue		8			8
5	Benedict	1	4		1	6
6	Broadwater	11	8	11	1	31
7	Columbus			6		6
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel				2	2
9	Dakota City-Salem	7	4	5		16
10	Dalton	3	11	5	1	20
11	Davenport	2	7	13		22
12	Eagle					
13	Emerson	7	11	3	4	25
14	Falls City	2	23	7	1	33
15	Fremont	9	31	48	3	91
16	Grand Island	17	52	20	7	96
17	Gurley	1	11	4		16
18	Hampton					
19	Hardy		1		29	30
20	Homer					
21	Hooper	1	19	20	2	42
22	Hubbard		14			14
23	Leigh	3	7	5		15
24	Lewellan		3	1		4
25	Lincoln	12	33	48	95	188
26	McCool Junction		1	1		1
27	Nebraska City	1	21	26		48
28	North Platte	30	45	74	5	154
29	Omaha-First	15	42	18		75
30	Omaha-Grace	2	7	7	5	21
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	44	100	67	33	244
32	Omaha-L. Memorial		10	36		46
33	Omaha-Redeemer	12	66	47		125
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	10	52	16	8	86
35	Oshkosh		6	6		12
36	Paxton	5	14	5		24
37	Ponca	3	6			9
38	Potter					
39	Rising City		5	1		6
40	Scribner		7			7
41	Sidney	2	14	28		44
42	Snyder					
43	So. Sioux City	11	25	23	1	60
44	Spencer	2	4	4		10
45	Stamford	1				1
46	Stella					
47	Sutherland					
48	Tekamah	4	20	11		35
49	Vacoma	1	2			3
50	Verdon		4	2		6
51	Walton			4		4
52	Wayne	2	7	7		16
53	West Point	1	15	16	38	70
54	Wilber	10	5	6	4	25
55	Wolbach					
56	York			5		5
1949		242	756	611	240	1849
1948		293	714	657	483	2147
Inc.			42			
Dec.		51		46	243	298

Losses

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	By Death	By Certificate	By Otherwise	Total
1	Allen		2		2
2	Auburn	3	4	28	35
3	Beatrice	2	5	10	17
4	Bellevue		3		3
5	Benedict		2		3
6	Broadwater	3	4		7
7	Columbus				
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel	1	2		3
9	Dakota City-Salem	1	6	6	13
10	Dalton		6	3	9
11	Davenport	4	10		14
12	Eagle		1		1
13	Emerson	3		153	156
14	Falls City	7	16		23
15	Fremont	9	25	6	40
16	Grand Island	14	27	12	53
17	Gurley		5	6	11
18	Hampton		4		4
19	Hardy	1	6		7
20	Homer		2		2
21	Hooper	2	6	2	10
22	Hubbard				
23	Leigh	4	4		8
24	Lewellan				
25	Lincoln	14	19	11	44
26	McCool Junction		6		7
27	Nebraska City	1	6		7
28	North Platte	16	35	2	53
29	Omaha-First	3	6	21	30
30	Omaha-Grace	6	2	4	12
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	42	76	130	248
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	2	14	75	91
33	Omaha-Redeemer	5	12	99	116
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	11	30	10	51
35	Oshkosh				
36	Paxton	6	3	114	123
37	Ponca	6	8		14
38	Potter				
39	Rising City	3	4		7
40	Scribner		6	1	7
41	Sidney	7	18		25
42	Snyder				
43	So. Sioux City	4	11		15
44	Spencer	1		1	2
45	Stamford		2		2
46	Stella			3	3
47	Sutherland				
48	Tekamah	1	10		11
49	Vacoma		3		3
50	Verdon		3		3
51	Walton	3		72	75
52	Wayne	2	7	8	17
53	West Point	5	21	2	28
54	Wilber		10	5	15
55	Wolbach			117	117
56	York		4		4
1949		202	451	901	1554
1948		193	432	1232	1856
Inc.		10	19		
Dec.				331	302

EDUCATION

PARISH

Sunday Schools

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Nursery Roll
1	Allen	5	11	99		30
2	Auburn	1	26	247	18	58
3	Beatrice		7	55		12
4	Bellevue	1	5	40		
5	Benedict	1	20	90	4	15
6	Broadwater	1	6	60		
7	Columbus	1	8	51		18
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel	1	3	4		
9	Dakota City-Salem	1	24	102		15
10	Dalton	1	11	40		14
11	Davenport	1	35	170	2	25
12	Eagle	1	3	16		9
13	Emerson	1	15	112		79
14	Falls City	1	16	164		33
15	Fremont	1	39	406	27	88
16	Grand Island	1	39	341		148
17	Gurley	1	12	69	20	29
18	Hampton	1	6	31		13
19	Hardy	1	17	67	10	5
20	Homer	1	10	71		
21	Hooper	1	16	128		52
22	Hubbard	1	6	25		
23	Leigh	1	12	66		22
24	Lewellan	1	15	40		
25	Lincoln	1	39	358	30	53
26	McCool Junction	1	16	89		
27	Nebraska City	1	14	116		20
28	North Platte	1	45	335	41	76
29	Omaha-First	1	32	270		49
30	Omaha-Grace	1	18	120	15	
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	1	100	830		215
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	1	20	150		24
33	Omaha-Redeemer	1	45	441		75
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	1	43	505	36	85
35	Oshkosh	1	12	80	10	
36	Paxton	1	15	95		
37	Ponca	1	16	123	10	21
38	Potter	1	8	71		
39	Rising City	1	17	72		18
40	Scribner	1	16	106		36
41	Sidney	1	13	128		73
42	Snyder	1	3	7		
43	So. Sioux City	1	23	150		96
44	Spencer	1	6	31		10
45	Stamford	1	22	76		22
46	Stella	1	6	22		
47	Sutherland					
48	Tekamah	1	21	130		18
49	Vacoma	1	6	51		4
50	Verdon	1	10	96		9
51	Walton	1	6	40		12
52	Wayne	1	28	115	14	50
53	West Point	1	21	201		51
54	Wilber	1	14	122		38
55	Wolbach	1	9	66		
56	York	1	8	45		
1949		581	1475	26	237	1694
1948		59	973	7296	229	1560
Inc.		1		41	230	8
Dec.						134

Weekday Schools

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Number	Teachers	Pupils
1	Allen	1	5	36
2	Auburn	1	16	114
3	Beatrice			
4	Bellevue			
5	Benedict			
6	Broadwater			
7	Columbus			
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel			
9	Dakota City-Salem			
10	Dalton			
11	Davenport			
12	Eagle			
13	Emerson			
14	Falls City	1	4	37
15	Fremont	1	30	205
16	Grand Island			
17	Gurley	1	6	61
18	Hampton	1	2	18
19	Hardy	1	11	24
20	Homer			
21	Hooper	1	16	122
22	Hubbard			
23	Leigh	1	12	50
24	Lewellan			
25	Lincoln			
26	McCool Junction			
27	Nebraska City	1	4	38
28	North Platte			
29	Omaha-First	1	10	115
30	Omaha-Grace			
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	1	10	70
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	1	6	65
33	Omaha-Redeemer			
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	1	16	140
35	Oshkosh			
36	Paxton			
37	Ponca			
38	Potter			
39	Rising City			
40	Scribner			
41	Sidney			
42	Snyder			
43	So. Sioux City	1	18	109
44	Spencer			
45	Stamford			
46	Stella			
47	Sutherland			
48	Tekamah			
49	Vacoma			
50	Verdon			
51	Walton			
52	Wayne	1	7	50
53	West Point	1	21	110
54	Wilber			
55	Wolbach			
56	York			
1949		12	245	1542
1948		7	245	1645
Inc.		5		
Dec.			29	103

Children of Church

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Leaders	Pupils
1	Allen		
2	Auburn		
3	Beatrice		
4	Bellevue		
5	Benedict		
6	Broadwater		
7	Columbus		
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel		
9	Dakota City-Salem		
10	Dalton		
11	Davenport		
12	Eagle		
13	Emerson	1	28
14	Falls City	3	52
15	Fremont		
16	Grand Island		
17	Gurley		
18	Hampton		
19	Hardy		
20	Homer		
21	Hooper		
22	Hubbard		
23	Leigh		
24	Lewellan		
25	Lincoln		
26	McCool Junction		
27	Nebraska City		
28	North Platte		
29	Omaha-First		
30	Omaha-Grace		
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	10	268
32	Omaha-L. Memorial		
33	Omaha-Redeemer	4	35
34	Omaha-St. Luke's		
35	Oshkosh		
36	Paxton		
37	Ponca		
38	Potter		
39	Rising City		
40	Scribner		
41	Sidney		
42	Snyder		
43	So. Sioux City		
44	Spencer		
45	Stamford		
46	Stella		
47	Sutherland		
48	Tekamah		
49	Vacoma	2	14
50	Verdon		
51	Walton		
52	Wayne	1	50
53	West Point		
54	Wilber		
55	Wolbach		
56	York		
1949		27	447
1948		16	173
Inc.		11	274
Dec.			

Number of Catechumens

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	Number of Catechumens
1	Allen	13
2	Auburn	16
3	Beatrice	7
4	Bellevue	8
5	Benedict	7
6	Broadwater	41
7	Columbus	5
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel	
9	Dakota City-Salem	29
10	Dalton	21
11	Davenport	25
12	Eagle	
13	Emerson	
14	Falls City	26
15	Fremont	62
16	Grand Island	69
17	Gurley	18
18	Hampton	
19	Hardy	
20	Homer	
21	Hooper	26
22	Hubbard	
23	Leigh	25
24	Lewellan	7
25	Lincoln	74
26	McCool Junction	18
27	Nebraska City	28
28	North Platte	36
29	Omaha-First	40
30	Omaha-Grace	
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	250
32	Omaha-L. Memorial	20
33	Omaha-Redeemer	21
34	Omaha-St. Luke's	62
35	Oshkosh	14
36	Paxton	7
37	Ponca	22
38	Potter	
39	Rising City	5
40	Scribner	5
41	Sidney	16
42	Snyder	
43	So. Sioux City	36
44	Spencer	
45	Stamford	
46	Stella	
47	Sutherland	
48	Tekamah	9
49	Vacoma	
50	Verdon	12
51	Walton	
52	Wayne	17
53	West Point	27
54	Wilber	22
55	Wolbach	16
56	York	18
1949		1192
1948		1209
Inc.		
Dec.		17

HIGHER

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town and Congregation)	In Lutheran Seminaries	In Lutheran Motherhouses	In Other Luth. Inst.	In Non-Luth. Inst.	Higher Number
1	Allen					
2	Auburn	2		7	8	2
3	Beatrice	1			1	3
4	Bellevue				1	4
5	Benedict	1			3	5
6	Broadwater			1	4	6
7	Columbus				4	7
8	Dakota City-Emmanuel					8
9	Dakota City-Salem				6	9
10	Dalton				1	10
11	Davenport			3	1	11
12	Eagle			1		12
13	Emerson				2	13
14	Falls City			2	5	14
15	Fremont	1	1	18	16	15
16	Grand Island			2	30	16
17	Gurley				6	17
18	Hampton				1	18
19	Hardy					19
20	Homer					20
21	Hooper			8	5	21
22	Hubbard					22
23	Leigh			1	12	23
24	Lewellan			2		24
25	Lincoln	3		1	25	25
26	McCool Junction					26
27	Nebraska City			1	2	27
28	North Platte			7	18	28
29	Omaha-First				2	29
30	Omaha-Grace			1	5	30
31	Omaha-K. Memorial	1		7	140	31
32	Omaha-L. Memorial			1	16	32
33	Omaha-Redeemer				15	33
34	Omaha-St. Luke's			3	14	34
35	Oshkosh			2	2	35
36	Paxton			2	6	36
37	Ponca			1	4	37
38	Potter					38
39	Rising City				7	39
40	Scribner					40
41	Sidney			1	4	41
42	Snyder			1	1	42
43	So. Sioux City			2	33	43
44	Spencer			1	2	44
45	Stamford		1	3	2	45
46	Stella					46
47	Sutherland					47
48	Tekamah			3	1	48
49	Vacoma					49
50	Verdon			2		50
51	Walton			1	3	51
52	Wayne			1	12	52
53	West Point			4	20	53
54	Wilber			1	6	54
55	Wolbach			1	1	55
56	York			1	2	56
1949		12	3	93	453	549
1948		7	3	103	441	548
Inc.		5			12	Inc.
Dec.				10		Dec.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	CONGREGATION	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1948	Language Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	Dixon	6	Cress, F. L.	Eng.	281	7	---	252	12	---	135	15	---	1
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	Nemaha	4	Henkle, F. W.	Eng.	717	---	110	493	---	10	384	---	2	2
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elk Sts.	Gage	3	Rangeler, R.	Eng.	167	---	14	130	---	12	109	---	11	3
4	Bellevue	Immanuel	1945	24th and Franklin Sts.	Sarpy	4	Vacant	Eng.	122	1	---	65	5	---	51	6	---	4
5	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	York	6	Vacant	Eng.	191	---	52	142	3	---	99	---	6	5
6	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	Morrill	6	Simon, M. B.	Eng.	248	33	---	170	24	---	106	3	---	6
7	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	Platte	4	Olson, C. J.	Eng.	202	13	---	146	6	---	118	6	---	7
8	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	Dakota	6	Vacant	Eng.	23	---	---	20	---	1	9	---	---	8
9	Dakota City	Salem	1872	3 mi. west of Dakota City	Dakota	6	Switzer, E. W.	Eng.	428	22	---	274	3	---	162	23	---	9
10	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	Cheyenne	6	Bartels, R.	Eng.	212	22	---	150	11	---	113	16	---	10
11	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	Thayer	6	Dumler, H.	Eng.	592	18	---	297	8	---	230	---	14	11
12	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	Cass	6	Kuehner, Paul	Eng.	79	11	---	72	---	1	42	---	1	12
13	Emerson	St. Lukes	1911	Emerson	Dixon	6	Vacant	Eng.	628	---	95	249	---	131	144	---	150	13
14	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	Richardson	4	Hershey, J. C.	Eng.	915	7	---	605	10	---	471	5	---	14
15	Fremont	Salem	1902	E. Military Ave. & C St.	Dodge	3	Kern, F. W.	Eng.	1583	116	---	1091	51	---	968	104	---	15
16	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 W. 2nd St.	Hall	3	Rupley, J. B. Sr.	Eng.	3032	74	---	1959	43	---	1345	14	---	16
17	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	Cheyenne	6	Bartels, R.	Eng.	215	1	---	154	5	---	132	12	---	17
18	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	Hamilton	6	Rupley, K.	Eng.	117	---	---	72	---	4	66	1	---	18
19	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	Nuckolls	6	Gleim, H.	Eng.	206	26	---	135	23	---	62	---	5	19
20	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	Dakota	5	Vacant	Eng.	426	21	---	346	---	3	123	4	---	20
21	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	Dodge	5	DeFreese, Paul	Eng.	528	52	---	378	32	---	318	17	---	21
22	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	Dakota	6	Vacant	Eng.	229	14	---	189	14	---	47	---	---	22
23	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	Colfax	5	Gigstad, Karl	Eng.	294	17	---	267	7	---	194	2	---	23
24	Lewellan	Grace	1906	Lewellen	Garden	6	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	242	6	---	121	4	---	60	---	6	24
25	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	Lancaster	2	Lesher, L. H.	Eng.	1304	168	---	994	144	---	715	57	---	25
26	McCool Junction	First	1900	McCool Junction	York	6	Gaston, R. E.	Eng.	239	---	2	158	---	6	105	---	14	26
27	Nebraska City	First	1886	3rd Corso and 9th St.	Otoe	4	Davis, R. V.	Eng.	434	6	---	345	41	---	185	10	---	27
28	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	Lincoln	3	Rupley, J. B. Jr.	Eng.	1535	163	---	1214	101	---	958	149	---	28
29	Omaha	First	1907	2547 N. 62nd St.	Douglas	1	Young, A. W.	Eng.	684	11	---	464	45	---	277	18	---	29
30	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 S. 26th St.	Douglas	1	Goede, H. J.	Eng.	344	19	---	259	9	---	259	9	---	30
31	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	Douglas	1	Traub, W. H.	Eng.	6533	---	6	4773	---	4	2141	10	---	31
32	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	Douglas	1	Most, W. F.	Eng.	340	---	70	252	---	45	221	---	27	32
33	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	Douglas	1	Clark, Harvey	Eng.	1410	89	---	855	9	---	668	69	---	33
34	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	Douglas	1	Pinkall, A. H.	Eng.	1404	71	---	962	35	---	657	15	---	34
35	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	Garden	5	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	217	17	---	151	12	---	75	5	---	35
36	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	Keith	5	Mortensen, E. C.	Eng.	375	---	98	222	---	99	193	---	---	36
37	Ponca	Salem	1866	Ponca	Dixon	5	Jacobs, John	Eng.	436	3	---	311	---	5	225	24	---	37
38	Potter	First	1892	Potter	Cheyenne	6	Gies, W.	Eng.	126	---	---	80	---	---	64	---	---	38
39	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City	Butler	6	Klink, W. A.	Eng.	312	---	2	210	---	1	126	---	1	39
40	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner	Dodge	5	Pfeiffer, R. R.	Eng.	329	14	---	243	---	---	152	---	36	40
41	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th Ave. and Lincoln St.	Cheyenne	4	Monnich, H.	Eng.	684	44	---	364	19	---	270	10	---	41
42	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder	Dodge	6	Pfeiffer, R. R.	Eng.	73	2	---	61	---	---	41	---	4	42
43	So. Bionx City	First	1920	21st and A Sts.	Dakota	4	Messer, J. E.	Eng.	973	83	---	590	45	---	400	30	---	43
44	Spencer	United	1920	Spencer	Boyd	5	Vacant	Eng.	224	27	---	148	8	---	125	8	---	44
45	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford	Harlan	6	Suter, J. C.	Eng.	203	5	---	159	---	1	119	3	---	45
46	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella	Richardson	6	Miller, J. C.	Eng.	58	---	2	34	---	3	18	---	5	46
47	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland	Lincoln	5	Mortensen, E. C.	Eng.	91	1	---	37	---	---	16	---	1	47
48	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts.	Burt	6	Wiegman, Paul	Eng.	334	26	---	207	24	---	170	14	---	48
49	Vacoma	St. John's	1895	11 miles east of Hooper	Washington	6	Wiegman, Paul	Eng.	101	---	5	67	---	---	47	8	---	49
50	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3½ mi. southwest of Verdon	Richardson	6	Miller, E. C.	Eng.	265	---	2	207	3	71	35	---	22	50
51	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton	Lancaster	6	Kuehner, Paul	Eng.	103	---	83	78	---	1	350	---	10	51
52	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne	Wayne	4	Shiery, John	Eng.	592	14	---	448	---	---	501	12	---	52
53	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point	Cuming	4	Krebs, G.	Eng.	972	67	---	664	42	---	102	20	---	53
54	Wilbur	First	1889	Wilbur	Saline	5	Cordts, H. C.	Eng.	368	10	---	190	10	---	137	7	---	54
55	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach	Greeley	5	Oehle, O. K.	Eng.	298	---	134	153	---	117	110	---	8	55
56	York	First	1927	8th St. and Grant Ave.	York	4	Gaston, R. E.	Eng.	353	6	---	216	1	---	137	---	---	56
	1949 Totals													515	15055	706	324	'49
	1948 Totals													542	14673	1050	274	'48
	Increase								33511	1307	675	22894	809	---	382	---	---	Inc.
	Decrease								32879	1186	435	22599	833					Dec.
									632			295						

*Figures taken from a previous report; no new report having been received

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																										Index Number
	Men's		Women's		Mixed		Y'g People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE																	
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED									
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures								
1	1	20	3	150	--	---	1	25	20000	8000	-----	------	------	28000	------	3275	1408	4982	48	----	----	85	152	285	498	214	497	5479	1						
2	1	16	1	55	1	60	2	31	28000	6500	-----	------	2500	37000	------	5531	1966	7497	446	242	113	959	1697	3457	2331	2431	5888	13385	2						
3	--	---	3	36	1	20	---	---	29000	8000	-----	------	------	37000	------	3922	208	4130	----	12	----	----	450	462	690	725	1187	5317	3						
4	--	---	1	13	--	---	2	14	4000	6000	-----	------	500	10500	------	1173	331	1504	----	----	----	----	----	----	577	----	----	1504	4						
5	1	10	3	85	--	---	1	13	11640	4850	-----	------	------	13000	262	3111	1689	6100	----	50	----	8	86	144	665	641	785	6885	5						
6	--	---	1	27	--	---	2	18	10000	3000	-----	------	9386	25876	------	2995	3105	4800	----	90	----	90	109	289	505	----	289	5089	6						
7	--	---	2	37	--	---	2	25	10000	6000	-----	------	------	16000	------	3166	619	3785	----	----	----	95	239	334	659	659	993	4778	7						
8	--	---	2	19	--	---	---	---	7000	------	-----	------	------	7000	100	114	205	319	----	15	13	----	23	51	55	30	81	400	8						
9	--	---	2	64	--	---	---	---	20000	13000	-----	------	3000	36000	------	4614	1604	6218	----	30	20	294	740	1084	838	923	2007	8225	9						
10	1	6	1	25	--	---	1	12	5000	------	-----	------	36237	41237	------	3008	21411	24419	----	----	----	60	346	406	653	662	1068	25487	10						
11	1	34	2	93	--	---	2	36	27000	6000	-----	------	1148	34148	------	5280	199	5479	----	----	----	154	317	471	1355	1355	1826	7305	11						
12	--	---	1	22	--	---	---	---	2000	------	-----	------	------	2000	------	423	207	630	----	----	----	----	95	95	265	120	215	845	12						
13	1	16	1	86	--	---	1	9	35000	5000	-----	------	4200	44200	------	4858	14371	19229	50	655	11	128	1689	2533	1737	1400	3933	23162	13						
14	--	---	4	121	1	16	2	35	23000	7500	-----	------	56897	87,397	------	6986	1269	8255	512	201	305	1305	----	2323	1883	2982	5305	13560	14						
15	1	50	1	250	1	30	6	122	125000	10000	-----	------	1500	136500	------	19784	2412	22196	----	----	----	----	4026	4026	4731	4731	8767	30263	15						
16	--	---	4	195	--	---	---	---	40000	10000	-----	13600	------	63600	------	8997	1620	10617	62	363	----	584	1632	2641	8039	5163	7804	18421	16						
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